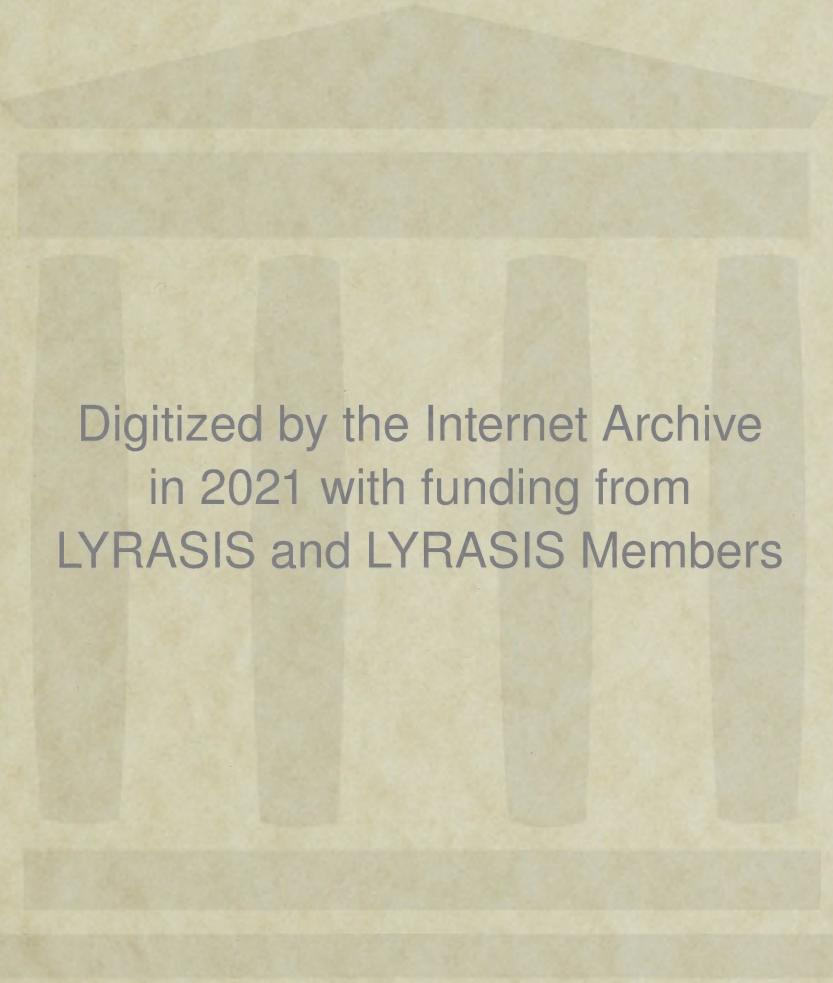


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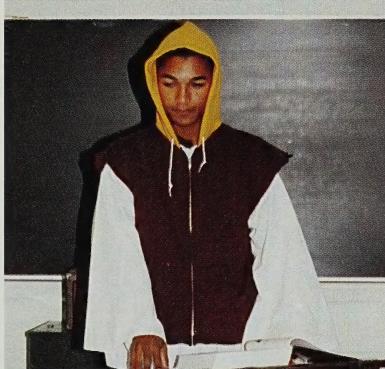
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Traffic Jam

While 122 was being repaved, many students and buses were caught in the traffic jam and were consequently late for school.

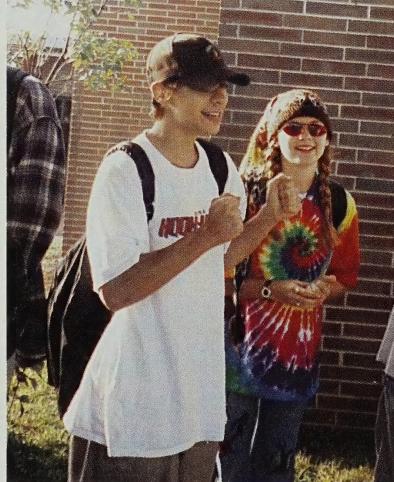


Once Upon A Time

Wayne Swain reads the introduction to the Canterbury Tales. College English required students to act out roles in the stories they read.

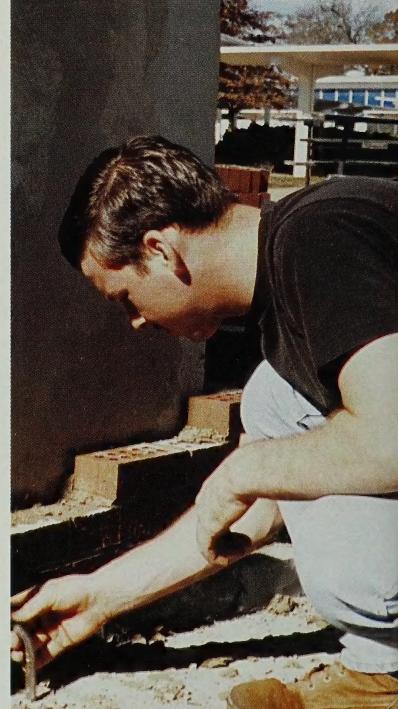
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Casper Schaadt, Nicholis Clark, Sarah Landis, Tody Markham, and Anne Burnley play a game during French class. Beautiful weather allowed teachers to hold class outside occasionally.



A Class Act

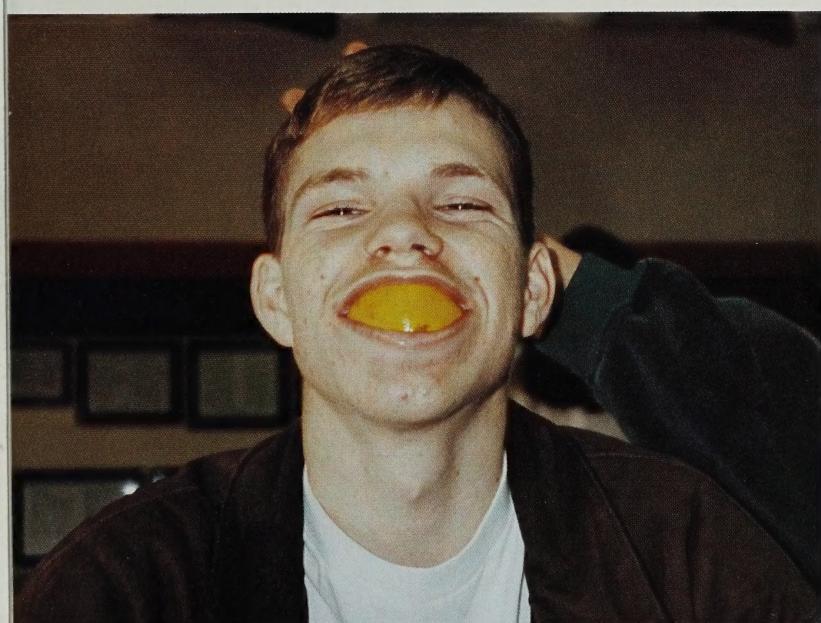
Stefan Watkey and Carla Hendricks chat together between classes. The new dress code eliminated hats in school, although students were allowed to wear them outside of the buildings.





Peek-a-boo

Carla Meador looks down the hall during an advisor/advisee meeting. These meetings were held once a month, and provided interaction between the school staff and the student body.



Top Five Movies

- 1) Forrest Gump
- 2) The Lion King
- 3) Dumb and Dumber
- 4) Speed
- 5) Interview with the Vampire

Top Changes in School

- 1) Four 90 minute classes
- 2) No hats
- 3) Advisor/Advisee

Top Musical Groups

- 1) Green Day
- 2) Boyz II Men
- 3) TLC
- 4) Brooks & Dunn

Top Five Places To Eat

- 1) Taco Bell
- 2) Olive Garden
- 3) Applebee's
- 4) Wendy's
- 5) Texas Steak House

Top Five Name brands Of Clothing

- 1) Polo
- 2) Levi's
- 3) Guess
- 4) Timberland
- 5) Limited/Express

Monkey see. Monkey do.

Mike Padgett sucks on an orange during lunch. With the new block schedule, lunches were extended an extra five minutes, and the cafeteria workers had ten more minutes between lunches.

Workin' Hard

John Doss works hard preparing the foundation. Construction students spent class time during the first semester building the baseball dug-outs.



stepping up...

To The Challenge Of Change

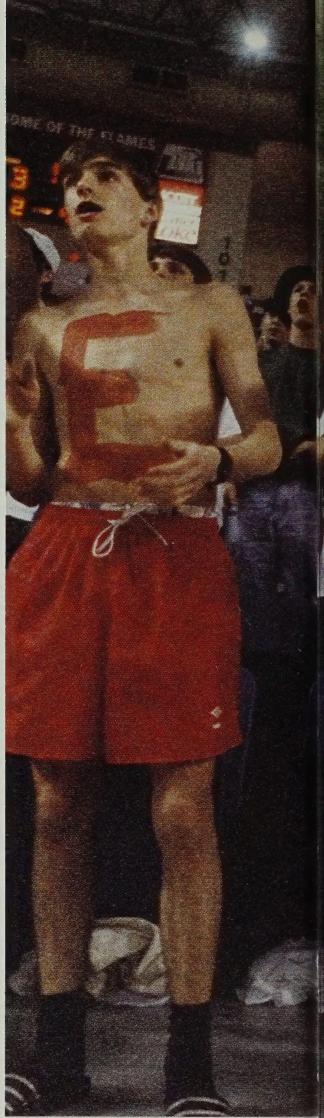
Showing Spirit!

Mikey Ayres, Travis Overstreet, and Lee Fisher painted their chest to show school spirit. Student were dismissed from school at 11:30 to attend the State Basketball Tournament.

Here Comes Santa

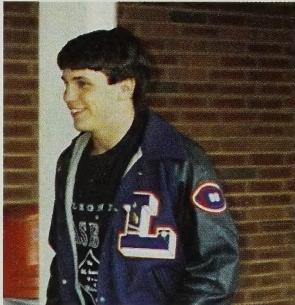
Nicole Gray and Megan Cox sit on the curb during the Christmas parade. Many school clubs and sports programs participated in the Bedford parade.

Crystal Daniels



What's So Funny?

Joseph Parker smiles big as he heads to football practice. Many students bought lettermens jackets to show off academic and athletic letters.



Catching Some Rays

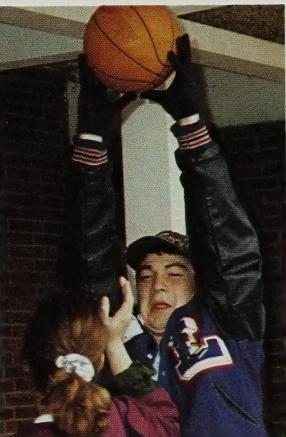
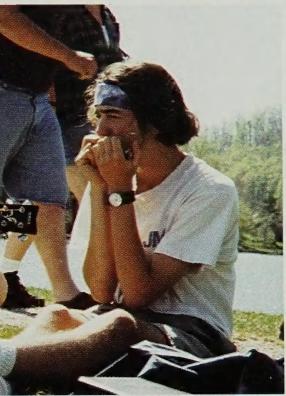
Lora Campbell and Anne Eubank pose for a picture on a mountain top. Many students enjoyed time outside when they were not in school.



Undressed And Full Of Pride
Michael Tillman, Alan Hayes, Jeremy Gardner, and Joel Morgan strip at Liberty University. School pride and lots of spirit helped lead the basketball to a 22-5 record.

Play Me A Tune

Travis Zimmerman plays the harmonica. Some students enjoyed getting together and playing various musical instruments.

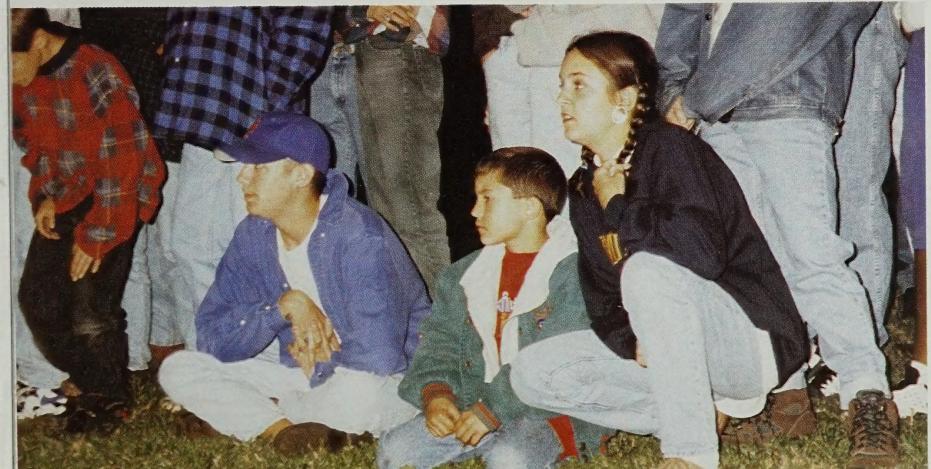


Come on Shorty, Jump

Tim Stanley holds a basketball out of Missy Murphy's reach to taunt her. Picking on one another helped make school days seem shorter.

Pocahontas

Chad Noell and Anna Bramlette watch the bonfire with Anna's younger brother Jared. The bonfire attracted people of all ages.





Student Life...

Seasons
Greetings



No Turning Back



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Riding in Style

Sue Lynn Cowlbeck, Catherine Saunders, Amanda Saunders, Laura Rodriguez ride with the remaining Girls' Basketball team in the parade. The team won the Seminole District Tournament.





This Weeks Homecoming week was a week of anxiety and anticipation as students prepared for the big game.

Coming Attractions

Face tatoos and tranvestites were just two of the Spirit Week attractions. Each day classes competed to achieve the most participation. Mrs. Ramsey's homeroom band class won a free breakfast for achieving 100% participation.

The bonfire was moved to Wednesday night, instead of Thursday, because of away J.V. football and girls' basketball games. The Booster Club purchased a wrecked car and painted it green and yellow to represent Nelson County. Students were allowed to hit the car with a sledge hammer or a baseball bat for 25 cents a shot. After both bumpers and the hatch-back were beaten off, the football team flipped the car.

Friday afternoon, the seniors and fall sports athletes marched into the gym and the pep rally began. The first event was Mr. L.H.S.. Several football players went from being jocks to being transvestites. After Mr. L.H.S. was crowned, five football players were blindfolded and told they were about to kiss a mystery cheerleader. When the blindfolds were removed, the players' mothers were there to say, "It was me!" The pep rally ended with the spirit yell and the Senior class was declared the winner of the hallway competition. As the bell rang and students left the gym, they were anxious, but ready, for the night of spirit ahead.

Crystal Daniels

Pucker up

Curt Martin thinks he is about to be kissed by a cheerleader. Curt receives quite a surprise when the blindfold is removed and his mom is there puckered up. "Kiss your momma" was a skit performed at the Homecoming pep rally.

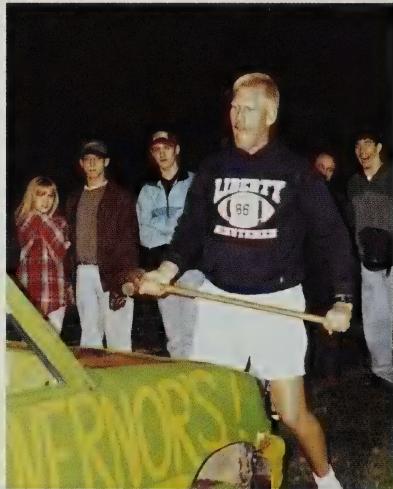
Maniac Mike

Coach Scharnus winds up to hit the Governor car. Overstreet City Services furnished a car painted green and yellow for students and faculty to hit with a sledge hammer.



Having a Party?

William Preston and Carson Overstreet hang balloons in the hallway. Each class was assigned a hallway to decorate for the hallway competition.



Horn Head

Walker Wright wears a tuba on his head at the Homecoming pep rally. Students had various ways of showing off their school spirit.





Burn Baby Burn

Chris Gardner lights up the hay at the bonfire as Ryan Stevens and Joseph Payne watch. Burning an opponent dummy is a traditional attraction.



Dude Looks Like A Lady

Russell Smith shows off his feminine side as he poses for a picture. Russell was crowned Mr. L.H.S..

Go Blue!

Tabitha Roberts, Henna St. Clair, Amanda Saunders, Tamara Hawkins and Danielle Wilson cheer for the sophomore class at the pep rally. The cheerleaders sold Go Blue tattoos to the students during spirit week.



Walking[’]

**Home-
coming
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to be a
night
for
winners**

Away Winners

Homecoming night proved to be a night of winners. After the football team warmed up and the band played the Star Spangled Banner, the team was introduced. As the team ran through the homecoming hoop, the fans knew the team was psyched and ready to meet the Nelson County Governors in combat.

The cheerleaders released helium balloons as they wiped away tears of despair for the demolished hoop they had work on for three months. The Minuteman dominated the first half and jumped to a 23-0 lead before they exited the field for the half-time show.

The band began the show and prepared the crowd for the Homecoming court. The court bit their fingernails and did the last minute touches on their make-up and hair before the cars moved around the track. As the girls and their escorts lined up on the field everyone grew tense as they awaited the announcement of new Homecoming Queen. The crowd applauded as Cheerre Lantz received Maid-of-Honor and Whitney Hogan was crowned Queen.

The band performed their rendition of Off to England under the direction of the Queen of England, Stacey Spinner. The football team marched back onto the field and the second half began. Coach Scharnus gave the second and third team a chance to play. The Minutemen scored one more time and allowed the Governors to score, but in the end the Minutemen were the clear winners with a final score of 30-6.

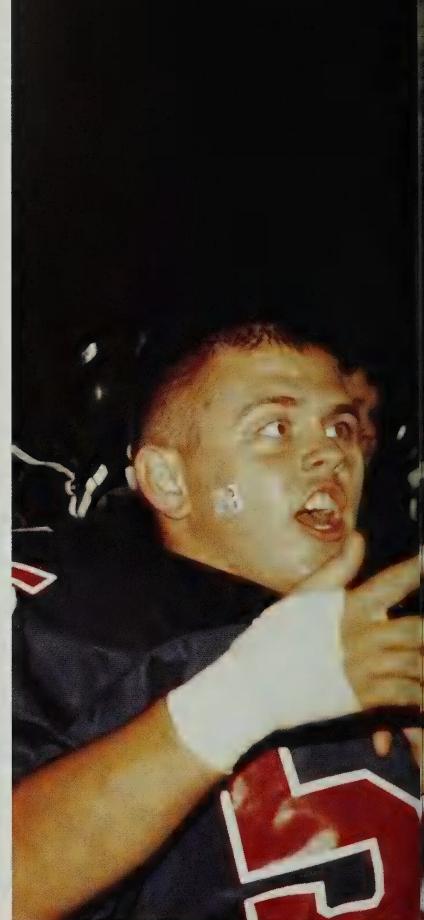
Crystal Daniels



Breakin' Through

The Varsity Football Cheerleaders hold the hoop as the football players run through it. The cheerleaders began working on the hoop in August and finally completed it on Homecoming day.

10 Homecoming



Strike a Pose

Charlene Moorehead and Lisa Ashworth prepare to let helium balloons out of the bags. The cheerleaders arrived early to have the balloons ready for the opening kickoff.



Here's the Plan

Toby Markham looks to be giving the starting quarterback some valuable advice during the Homecoming game. This game was special for many of the seniors players because they knew it was their last Homecoming as Minutemen.

Queen of the Night

Whitney Hogan and her escort, Greg Boyer, pose for a picture. Whitney was crowned 1994 Homecoming Queen.



Senior Court

April Clark escorted by Derek Hobson, Homecoming Queen Whitney Hogan escorted by Greg Boyer, Maid of Honor Cheerre Lantz escorted by David Beckwith, and Crystal Daniels escorted by Stephen Shrader made up the senior portion of the Homecoming Court. All of the court was excited and proud to represent their class.

Princesses and Escorts

Amanda Saunders was the 10th grade representative escorted by Brian Byers. Carson Overstreet escorted by Scott Markham and Anna Bramlett escorted by Chad Noell represented the Junior class. Wendy Reynolds was the 9th grade representative escorted by David Long.



Holiday Cheer

Spreading giving

A time of
giving
and
sharing

The holiday season proved to be a time of giving and sharing. Food drives and charity shows gave students and faculty an opportunity to share in the gift of giving.

During the Thanksgiving season, the S.C.A. and F.C.A. delivered baskets filled with turkey and all of the trimmings to needy families in the community.

A Mock Rock Charity Show was sponsored by the S.C.A. just before Christmas break. Students had to bring a can of food to attend the show. The administration also gave money and bought gifts. Both the gifts and the food were delivered to less fortunate families.

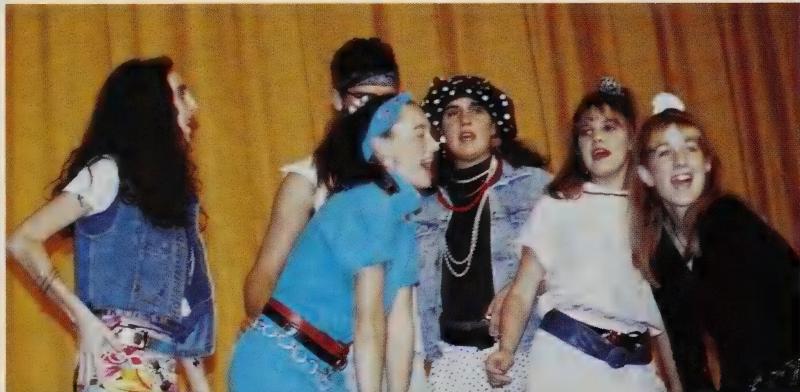
On Valentine's day, students sent their sweethearts and special friends flowers and balloons and various other gifts.

St. Patrick's day was a very special day for students. The N.H.S. collected food and clothes for a single mother and her two sons. School was dismissed at 11:30 and students headed to Liberty University for the State Basketball Tournament, however, the luck of the Irish was not with the basketball team.

Easter break was shortened due to snow days, but students still got Friday through Tuesday off. Many students went out of town or to the beach during Spring Break.

Holidays ended up being a time for giving, sharing, relaxing, laughing and spending time with special people.

Crystal Daniels



I Think We're Alone Now

Lora Campbell, Anne Eubank, David Beckwith, Emily Allen, Carson Overstreet, and Sarah Blair dance to a 1980s Tiffany song. Their outfits reflected the funky decade.

Kiss And Tell

Kristi Brown and Kelly Ludwig share a friendly kiss on Halloween. Kristi and Kelly have been friends since the third grade.



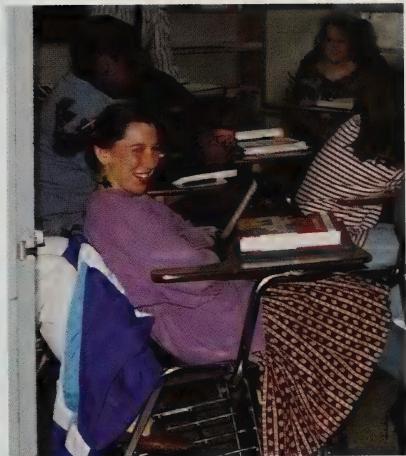


I Pledge Allegiance

Faith Martin and Fran Hurt twirl their flags in the Christmas parade. Participants of the Christmas parade enjoyed an unseasonably warm day.

What Are You Looking At

Tina Dodd dresses up for Halloween. The S.C.A. awarded students and faculty with prizes for their costumes.



Go Big Blue

Jennifer Parker and Lisa Carr ride on the back of a truck in the Christmas parade. The cheerleaders had to show their spirit all year round.

This One's For You

Maxine Wright, Jermaine Robinson and Teddy Clark place packages under the Christmas tree in the office. Holidays proved to be a time of sharing and giving.

Magical

Night in the Islands

Excitement rushed through the crowd as the contestants entered the stage for the opening number, and introduction.

The judges were looking for confidence, poise, appropriateness of their outfit and stage presences. This counted 20 percent of their final score.

The talent competition consisted of singing, dancing, playing the piano, and even gymnastics. The contestants as well as the S.C.A. put long hours into practice. The contestants practiced on Monday-Thursday from 3:30-5:00 and on Sundays from 2:00-4:00 for two weeks prior to the pageant.

The talent competition was 50 percent of the final score. Audience appeal, projection, confidence, and costume were all included.

The last competition was the evening gown. This was worth 30 percent. Again the judges were looking for poise, good posture, the ability to walk gracefully in their shoes, carriage, and appearance in their gown.

Anxiety filled the auditorium as the finalist were announced. The MC's ask each of the finalist a question and then everything else was left up to the judges.

The crowd applauded as the crown was placed on the surprised, but definitely happy, Angela Hatcher.

Other awards were also given. La'Shonna Wright won the Spirit of Liberty award for being helpful and considerate to everyone. La'Shonna also won the talent award.

The pageant was a success. The S.C.A. was able to raise \$1,000, and the contestants were able to have fun and make memories to last a lifetime.

Monica Byers

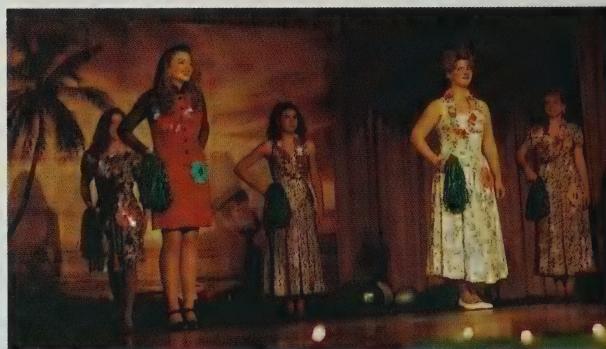
Bright lights, grass pom-poms and leis created a magical night for the 30th annual Miss LHS contestants.

A silent prayer

Contestants wait patiently as MC's Terry Finch and Dee Cheek prepare for the final segment of the competition. Excitement fills the air as the five finalist Lauren Hobson, Angela Hatcher, Emily Allen, Tina Dodd, and Charlean Morehead answer questions in ways they hope will impress the judges and lead to them being crowned the next Miss LHS. Angela Hatcher was crowned Miss LHS, Charlene Morehead first runner-up, Tina Dodd second runner-up, Emily Allen third runner-up and Lauren Hobson fourth runner-up.

Strike a pose

Lauren Hobson smiles confidently to the audience. The judges were about to narrow the contestants down to the final five.



A case of the jitters

Katie McMillan, Emily Allen, Emily Rowe, and Reagan Warner smile for the judges. The opening act set the tone for the entire pageant.

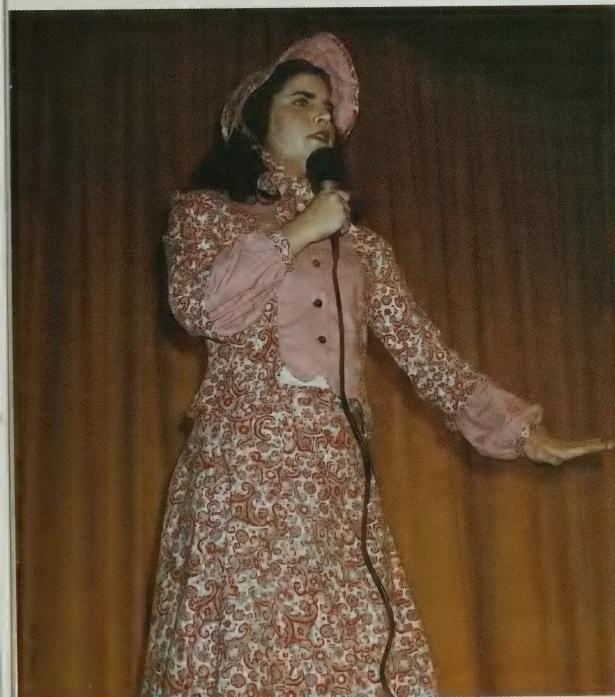


I won, I won

Angela Hatcher seems shocked as she receives the crown for Miss LHS. This was a magical night for the queen.

How much longer

Yolanda Wilson sits perfectly still as Ms. Cofer, a make up representative, applies her eye liner. Being on stage requires a lot of make up.



All dressed up

Emily Allen sings "Can't say no" from Oklahoma. The costume brought her talent to life.

Are these for me

Charlene Morehead looks surprised as she receives flowers. It's good to have friends at times like these.



Row your boat!

Ted Elser stops to rest on a summer canoeing trip. Ted was an active member of the yearbook staff.

Glam girls!

Crystal Daniels, Carla Meador, Whitney Hogan, Missy Murphy, and Mary Carter Mason ham it up for the camera. These girls have been friends for so long that they do not care how they look around each other.



Howdy!

Anna Bramlett gets comfortable on the family tractor. Anna has known how to drive a tractor since she was a tiny tot.



Dyanamite!

Charity Bryan's spirits are high as she shows the basketball players what she thinks of them. The players appreciated all the school spirit cast their way.

HOOKED ON

ENTERTAINMENT

If you are in high school, having fun is probably pretty high on your list of priorities. Most people would agree that adolescence is one of the most fun times in life. After all, being old enough to go out and have a good time, yet not old enough to have to deal with a lot of the responsibilities of being an adult can be great.

After a stressful day at school, students need to do something fun to release the tension. The weekend can be a remedy to all the "ailments" that come from being a student five days a week.

"I look forward to the weekend all week, even on Monday I'm already thinking of what I'll be doing on Friday," says Chad Noell.

Many people can have fun doing just about anything, as long as they are with the right people.

Junior, Athena Krantz says, "I usually just hang out with my friends for fun."

Organized sports through school are another way of having fun and they relieve many students of daily pressures. Some also enjoy things outside of school such as hiking, mountain biking, and other outdoor activities. Movies and eating out are more fun for those who aren't as athletic.

All in all, there is a wide variety of interests amongst the student body, and more than a few ways of having fun.

Lora Campbell

We love trucks!

Scott Markham, Fred Oliver and Doug Overstreet float proudly down the Big Otter River. These guys go four wheeling all the time for fun.



Take it off!

Mike Ayers and Lee Fisher show support for the basketball team at the state semifinals. These guys were always thinking of crazy ways to support the team.



All Smiles!

Steven Shrader and Brian Long smile confidently at the pep rally. The pep rally was a way for students to show support.



Don't look down!

Eric DeHeart enjoys a nice day from above. Mountain climbing is something many students are starting to catch on to.

No Snow

Oh No!

Students stay up late watching the evening news wishing to see snow in the forecast, but it didn't come

Acorns blanketed the ground and caterpillars changed from a brown color to a solid black signifying that it was going to be a harsh winter. The first sign of winter arrived during lunch on Friday, January 6 in the form of sleet and freezing rain. Hazardous driving conditions caused Bedford County Schools to close early. Even though school was released early, accidents prevented buses from getting through, which kept students in school a full day.

The first real snow fall was exciting. The sky was a white-grey color and the flakes that kept falling and falling were gigantic. By night the ground and roads were covered. The snow was perfect for sleigh riding, snow balls fights, and snowmen. On Monday, January 30, the snow had accumulated to over a foot, which prevented the doors from being opened until two hours late Wednesday. On February 6, ice closed school making a total of three days which were made up over spring break.

Since the snow did not come, many students went to it. Students hit the slopes for the day or a weekend of skiing or snowboarding. Some went to Wintergreen and others as far away as West Virginia. Students of all ages joined together in the magical months of winter.

Kristi Brown

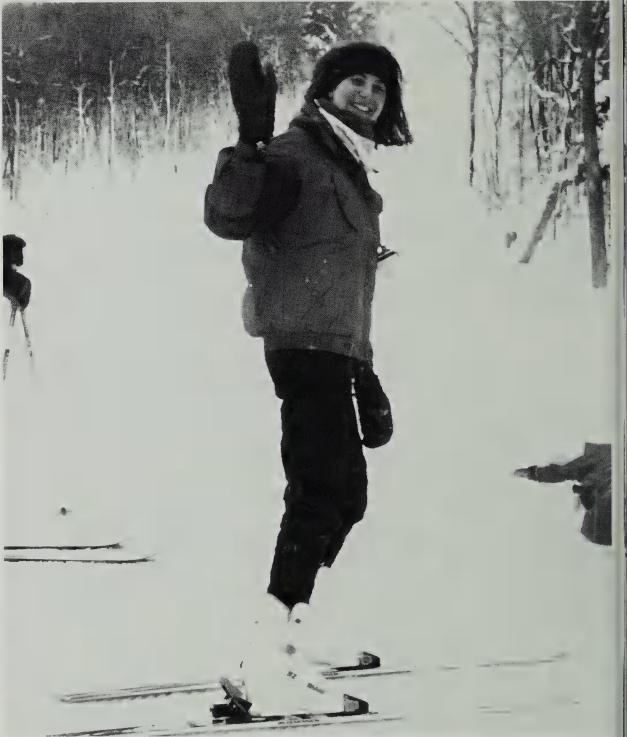


Where are their halos?

Melissa Pankey, Kelly Ludwig, and Jennifer Hefley flop into the deep snow to make snow angels. The three pals spent the weekend at Canaan Valley, West Virginia.

Whee

Angie Wilson comes flying down the hill on her plastic toboggan. The snow leaves a feeling of energy and excitement.



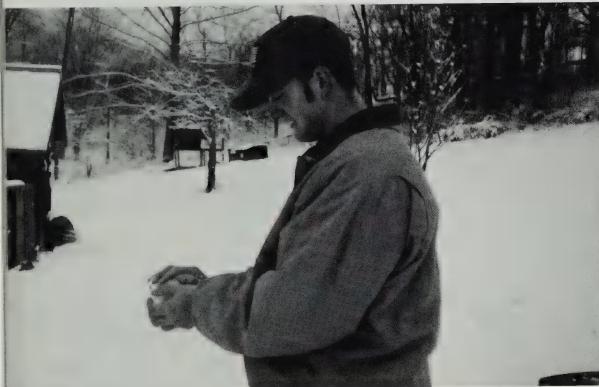
Hey snow bunny

Melissa Pankey turns to her fans and waves as she heads off to the slope. Melissa loves to spend her winter days on the slopes.



Put up your dukes

Josh Zimmerman and Matt Burke play around on the icy parking lot. There was a lot of extra time to hang out because the cars had to be extra careful on the dangerous roads.



Frozen Fingers

Russell Smith packs the snow into a snowball not caring that he isn't wearing gloves. Students are glad to see snow whether they are prepared or not.



Don't bother me!

Amy Baxter rushes to scrape the ice off her windows. It is policy to release students early before the road conditions worsen.

Frosty and friends

Sarah Stallard and Sarah Landis pose for the camera with their creation. Playing in the snow is a lot of fun when you are with your friends.

New Rules For

Old Clothes

Things sure can change fast when it comes to how people dress. But a lot of fashions from yesterday were showing up on students today. Styles that were popular back in the sixties and seventies were coming back strong. Bell bottoms, go go boots, beads, braids, and other groovy styles from the sixties and seventies were popular with many students.

That's not all that was seen in the halls. Brand names like Guess, Levi's, and Addidas were everywhere. A lot of students were dressing more for comfort, so the old stand bys, a tee shirt and jeans never seemed to be out of style. Western clothes like cowboy boots, hats, and Wranglers can be seen daily. But the students were carrying those cowboy and baseball hats. The new dress codes that went into effect starting in September kept students capless. Students were no longer allowed to wear their hat inside the buildings. "Big Johnson" tee shirts were history, along with short shorts.

All in all, clothing was a way that a lot of people chose to express themselves, and for the rest, it's just a way to cover their bodies.

Lora Campbell

Joe Cool!

Steve Sanderson and Jessica Baty share a laugh during guitar club. Some people didn't want to look like everyone else and enjoyed being different.



What's Up Soc?

Walker Wright brings the Looney Tunes to school with his Daffy Duck socks. Cartoon characters were a new fashion.



Brrr!

Mary Carter Mason thaws out after being out in the cold. Big coats kept many people warm and in style.



What's your sign?

Leah Raintree and Carla Hendricks go back in time to the Age of Aquarius. Cotton shirts, beads, and braids were common in the sixties and seventies and resurfaced in the student body of the nineties.

Ouch!

Sheila Slusher shows off her new jewelry. Body piercing was debatable among students, some got multiple piercings, while others found it disgusting.



Cool Like That!

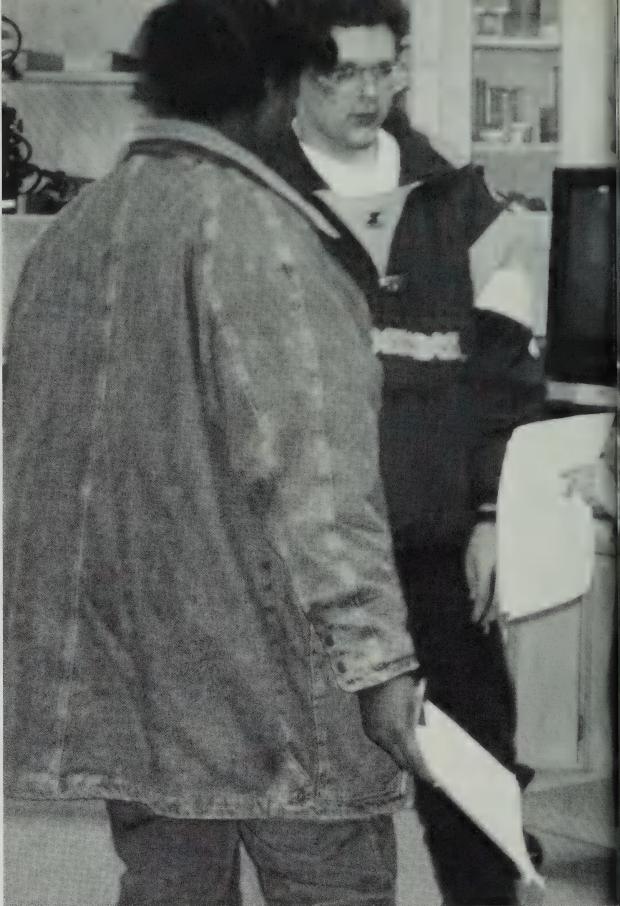
Derek Hobson, Yolonda Wilson, Charity Bryant, Farrah Pullen and Sheree'Coles hang out in the hall before school. Brand names have always been in style for students.

Say What

Mrs. Key explains to Bobby Phillips and Veronica Johnson how a lab is to be done in biology . Mrs. Key delivered a healthy baby boy, two months premature.

Pass the ball

Miss Ponn dribbles down the court while Monica Byers,Shannon Jurkus,Stephanie Biggs, and Karla Meador attempt to block her.The girls made a good effort but the teacher still won.



Finally Finished

Mrs. Baldwin helps Randall Craighead and Pam Heck finish up their bird feeders. Mrs. Baldwin was an aid who helped with vocational classes.



Shoot It

Mr. Coughlin shots a foul shot at the student/faculty basketball game,while Mr. Boyer, Mike Padgett,Mr. Eckes,Joel Morgan,Mr. Grant, and Greg Boyer watch. The student/faculty game is traditionally played the day before Spring Break.

A Helping Hand

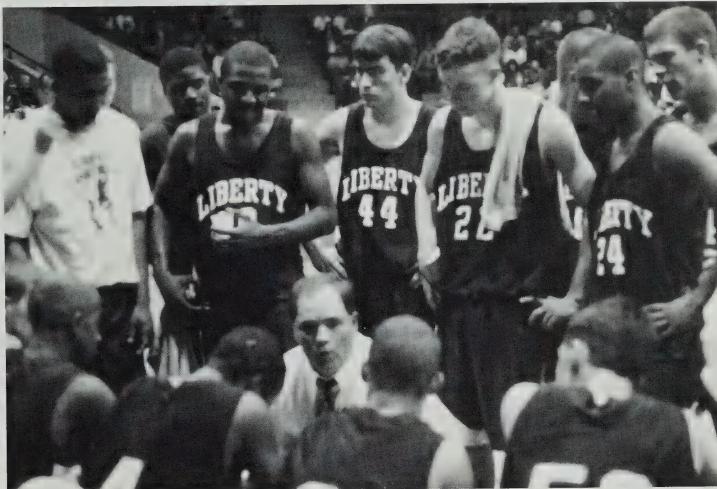
Students and teachers spent a lot of time together. Before and after school, teachers put in the extra hours. Whether it be tutoring Geometry, coaching basketball, directing the school play or advising the S.C.A., teachers were always there to lend a hand. Because of hectic schedules some students spent more time with their teachers than they did with their parents and teachers spent more time with their students than they did with their own children. As a result, many special relationships were formed. In addition to sharing their knowledge, teachers taught students there were still people who cared about other people. At times having someone who cared was more important than any knowledge any one could offer.

Greta Davis

Faculty members offer a helping hand in lots of different ways

Hanks is the bomb

Coach Hanks talks to the basketball team during a time out. Long practices and intense ball games developed a special bond between coaches and players. Coach Hanks was awarded Seminole district coach of the year.



It's a hold up

Wanda Hensley gives Denny Craighead his change. The cafeteria changed to an electronic system midway through February.

Hurry Up

Mrs. Cheek and Jennifer Hefley hang up streamer for the basketball team as they advanced to the final four. Mrs. Cheek spent many late hours after school not only with the track team but also with the yearbook staff.



Spirits Spirits Rain delay dosen't dampen spirit

Are High

Spirits soared as students from all over the county participated in the 15 Invitational Special Olympics Track and Field meet.

The traditional torch run kicked off a number of events. The 50 meter dash, softball throw and standing long jump were just a few of the events athletes participated in. Students not only participated in track and field events, but also had the chance to enjoy the olympic village. Face painting, pony rides and a clown entertained athletes of all ages.

Volunteers from Bedford County Public Schools were excused from class to give their time and help out. People from the community organized the meet for the athletes.

Russell Smith

They call him the streak

Roger Overstreet runs in the 100m dash. Roger received a second place ribbon in his division.



Lunch time

The LHS team takes a well deserved lunch break. Jelly sandwiches, chips and sodas were provided for the athletes by the cafeteria staff.



Clownin' around

Jessica Giggi and Lisa Carr play around during a break. Student volunteers were allowed out of class in order to help.

Making new friends

Lorenza Tanner makes a new friend with a young student. Students from several area schools came to relax and enjoy the day.



Stride

Maxine Wright strides for the finish line. Maxine carried the torch in the opening ceremony



LHS TEAM

Elliot Phillips
Roger Overstreet
Maxine Wright
Pam Heck
Jermaine Robinson

A Night

After months of planning and decision making, the prom, "Wonderful Tonight", came and went with style.

The two days preceding the prom a select group of juniors realized that prom decorating was not your ordinary day out of class. Inflating purple, gold, and black balloons, ducktapping gossamer, and adding the finishing touches, proved to be hard work. It was all worth it, however, as the workers took one last look on Friday afternoon.

The afternoon of April 29 with prom only hours away gave way to frantic last minute preparations. The ladies were concerned with their hair, makeup and wondering if their dress would still fit. The guys were less concerned with their looks and more concerned with the dinner reservations and flowers. After dinner, it was off to the dance, and for most that meant putting their walking abilities in high heels to the test.

Slow dancing, pictures, the senior promenade, and the crowning of the royalty were for some the more memorable moments.

After prom meant different things for different people. Some went to the prom spree while others just went out to spend time with friends. As the morning approached prom was wonderful, but over.

Mary Carter Mason & Missy Murphy



All Dressed Up

Stephanie Biggs, Brian Marshburn, Sophie Scruggs, Jay McMillian, Terry Adams, Linda Howell, Kyle Smith, and Joel Morgan listen as the other seniors names are called. The senior promenade was a very memorable moment at Prom.



The King and his Queen

Derek Hobson is still in shock while Cheerre Lantz smiles excitedly after being announced King and Queen. The Seniors voted for the king and queen the week of Prom.



Royalty

Doug Overstreet and Lisa Ashworth smile proudly after being crowned Prince and Princess. The juniors voted for prince and princess, while the seniors voted for king and queen.

Are we next

Brad Ellis and Sara Anderson wait patiently for their names to be called. The Seniors and their dates were all announced during the promenade



Wake Up

Roy Wheat looks as if he is dozing off as Greta Davis looks around the gym. Many couples chose to rest during fast songs.



Get Down

Kelly Ludwig and Wayne Swain dance together at the prom. Prom gave people a chance to show off their dancing skills

Aren't they Cute

Chris Curd and Heather Childress hold each other at the prom. The prom gives couples a chance to spend quality time together.

Hard to Say

It was almost over. No more exit requirements, no more sports, no more teachers, and no more books. The Class of '95 was almost out the door. As graduation quickly approached the senior class was filled with mixed emotions. Some were happy, some were sad, but all were excited.

The Seniors filed into the auditorium on June 4 for the Baccalaureate Service. The class officers addressed the Class of '95 one last time. Tina Dodd, sang "In the Garden" before the benediction. The Seniors were one step closer to graduation.

On June 5 the Seniors took one more step by attending Class Night at the Liberty Station. They were all able to eat free as long as they had signed up before hand. After the meals were finished the awards ceremony began. The Class set records with scholarships exceeding \$580,000.

Following the awards, La'Shonna Wright made a special performance. She had written her own rap dedicated to Mr. House. In the rap she spoke of how he came in and went out with the Class of '95. Around the room there were faces filled with pride. The Seniors had come to understand and accept the authority that followed Mr. House.

Last was the slide show. During the slides there was a lot of laughter and a few tears, as the Seniors took one last look at their years of high school.

Class night was long and after the slides they were ready to go. On the way out the Seniors were to pick up their last will and prophecies. Those so ready to leave lingered in the parking lot reading what their friends had left them. Again they were filled with mixed emotions as the past raced through their minds.

As the days moved on seniors began to realize just how important their high school years had been. All the stress had taught some to be responsible. Senior expenses had taught them just how hard it was to manage money.

Graduation practice was held early and so everyone was ready a week early. With only five days before graduation and three left in school it was time to say good-bye to friends, teachers, and coaches. It was now time to grow up and face the real world. It was almost time for the Class of '95 to go their separate ways, only glancing back to high school as a memory.

The good-byes were not easy, but they were a part of life. High school must come to an end, and the seniors were almost there. Ready or not, the time was running out for the Class of '95.

Monica Byers and Missy Murphy

**After four
years of
trials and
temptations
the Class of
1995 came
together
before going
their
separate
ways.**



What's so funny?

Ashley Bower seems to be laughing about old times. Class night was a time for sharing memories of fun and sorrow.



And the winner is...

Barbara Divers was awarded with the Coca-Cola Dixie Softball Scholarship. She received a full scholarship to Lynchburg College. Barbara was ranked seventh in the class.

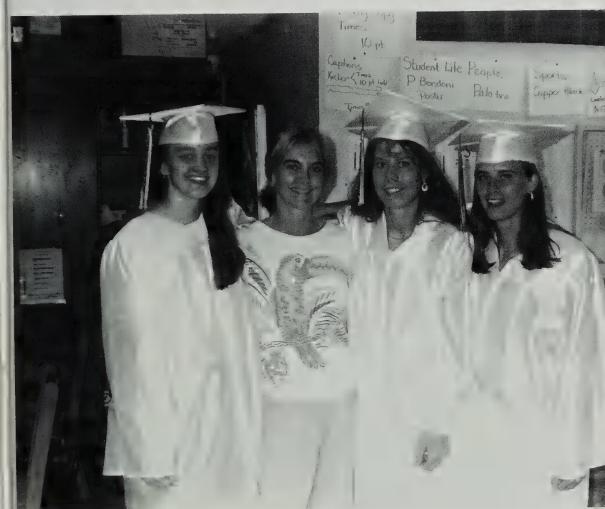


Say Cheese

Janet Davis, Sheree' Coles, Farrah Pullen, Micah McCauley, Katrina Evans, April Clark, Stephanie Schier, Rebecca Martin, Derek Hobson, Sam Leftwich, Todd Swain, Jermaine Johnson, and Brad Burdette pose for a picture at the Senior Picnic.

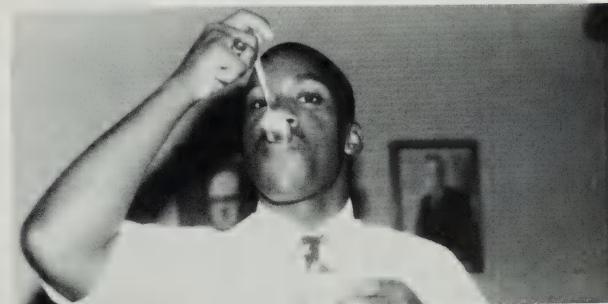
It's about time

Danny Weatherer fixes his hamburger at the picnic. Seniors spent the day practicing for graduation, eating, and socializing.



Together from beginning to end

Kristi Brown, Mrs. Cheek, Jennifer Hefley, and Barbara Divers smile for the camera. When a person was your teacher and coach you could spend a lot of time together.



Mmm Mmm Good!

Greg Harris indulges himself with ice cream at class night. Class night was a time of tears and laughter.

Honor Graduates

Almeda Wright
Kristine Price
Chris Robey
Jennifer St. Clair
Dwayne Barnett
Barbara Divers
Jean Witt
Anna Goshorn
Amy Bridges
Mandy Parker

Oh no, it's nothing

Sheree' Coles appears to wipe away a tear during the ceremony. Graduation was a time of very mixed emotions.



The Best of the Best

Honor graduates Mandy Parker, Salutatorian Kristine Price, Valedictorian Almeda Wright, Jennifer St.Clair, Dwayne Barnett, Alyson Witt, Amy Bridges, Anna Goshorn, Chris Robey, and Barbara Divers can relax and finally enjoy. A lot of hard work, sacrifice and dedication was required to graduate with honors.



Say Cheese!

Jeanette Dimitea, Tina Dodd, Blaine Creasy, Christina Dooley, Sheree' Coles and April Clark get together for a picture before the ceremony. Many seniors were unsure of what the future held for them.

Bittersweet

For many, graduation was a time of very mixed feelings. Even those who seemed to have mapped out their whole future went forward with uncertainty. After all, this was it. High school was finally over. It was just the beginning of a transitional period in their lives.

Many students, who had been together since kindergarten, were facing tearful goodbyes. It seemed that everyone was heading in different directions. Even though many chose to stay in the area to go to school or work, uncertainty seemed pervasive. Everyone had to face the fact that things were never going to be the same. Along with these feelings came happiness and excitement. A new life was about to begin and graduation was just the beginning.

For the first time a video introduced the audience to the Class of '95. Each member of the class was given the opportunity to say something to their fellow classmates. A composite of pictures and video made the audience realize that high school and graduation did not mean the same to everyone. The graduation ceremony was later added to the video.

Anna Goshorn handled the introductions, Barbara Divers led the pledge, Class President Kelly Ludwig welcomed the audience and Amy Bridges sang. The remaining honor graduates chose courage as the theme for their speeches. After the principals distributed diplomas and proud students posed for pictures, Mandy Parker introduced the guest to award scholarships. For the first time the Heather Dooley Scholarship was awarded to senior female, athlete who displayed courage in the face of adversity. Jennifer Hefley was the surprised, but proud, recipient.

Throughout the speeches and the scholarships students thoughts wandered.

"Will I ever see this person sitting beside me again?"

"Will I ever wear this stupid white dress again?"

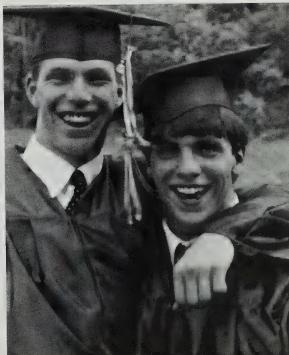
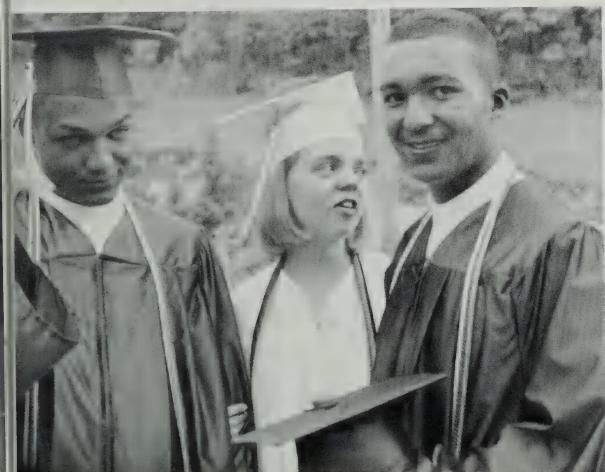
"I wish someone would quit hitting me in the head with that beachball."

"Twelve hours till the beach!"

"Will my life ever be the same?"

Finally after the benediction hats flew. The Class of 1995 rushed out to greet cameras, family and friends.

Farewell
Graduation
brings tears
and
laughter as
the
Class of '95
selects on
the courage
that life
demands.



Happy Days

Mike Padgett and Joe Parker are all smiles at graduation. Many seniors were looking forward to hitting the beach after graduation.

We Go Our Separate Ways

W.T. Swain, Kelly Ludwig and Wayne Swain prepare for their last walk together as the class of '95. Kelly plans to travel to England as an exchange student after graduation, while W.T. and Wayne prepare to leave for college.

P eople...

One Last Look

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Schizophrenic

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Kiesha Hurt sticks her tongue out at the camera. Students were able to express their feelings during hallway competitions.

Working hard?

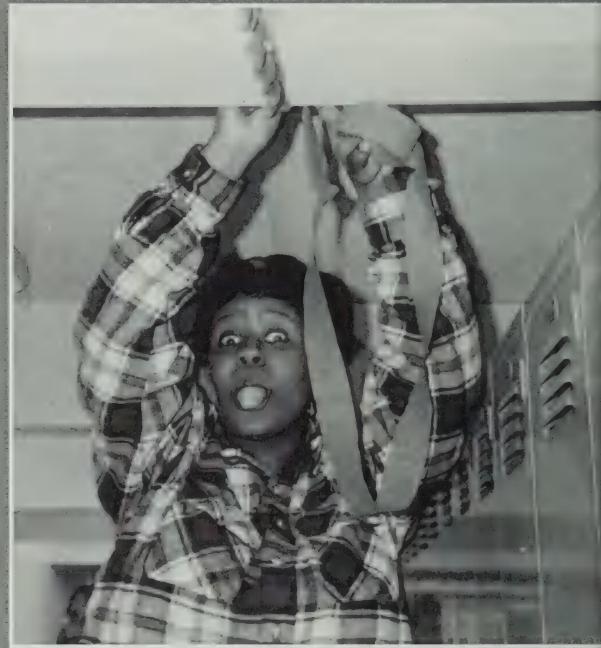
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Eliot Phillips, Randall Craighead, and Pam Heck are busy stuffing envelopes for the yearbook staff. Little favors from friends made a big difference.

"I don't want to grow up"

(opposite page)

Barbara Divers plays around on the Rustburg playground after a track meet. Winners deserve to have a little fun.







14 Seniors



Seniors '95

Cory Agee-VICA 10,12 Employment - Food Lion 10,12; Liberty Station 12
Suzanne Aldrich-Basketball 9-11; Volleyball 9-11; Softball 9; Tennis 9-11; FCA 10,11; SADD 10,11; SODA 11; Employment- Lake Concession Stand
Rodney Andrews-Baseball 9; FFA 10; VICA 11,12; Guitar Club 12; Employment- Rainbow Restaurant 10,11; Food Lion 11,12
Thomas Arrington-Wrestling 9-12; Wrestling Club 9-12; Baseball 9; Cross Country 11,12; Employment- Springlake Livestock Market 11,12
Adam Babb-Reptile Club 10; Sentinel Editor 11,12; Employment- Golf Course 10-12

Dana Barber-Softball 9; French Club 10-12; Miss LHS Pageant 11; Employment - B&B Presentations. Franklin County Speedway 11, Orvis 12

Dwayne Barnett-Concert Band 9,10; Marching Band 9,10; Pep Band 9; Academic Bowl 9; Academic Letter 10-12; Who's Who 9,10; French Club 11,12; NHS 11,12; ACE Team 11,12; JETS 11,12; Cross Country 12; Indoor Track 12; Employment - Gross' Orchards

Amy Baxter-Basketball 9-12, All District 11, MVP 11, All District Honorable Mention 12; Softball 9; FCA 10,11; Varsity Track 11; FHS 12

David Beckwith-SCA 9,10; Miss LHS Technical 10-12; Hi-Y 10; DECA 12; Employment- Lawn Service

Stephanie Biggs-Softball 9; Reptile Club 9; Basketball 11; Employment- Bookkeeping

Jeremy Bishop-Baseball Card Club 9-11; Employment- Mc Donald's 11

Christopher Blair-Soccer 9-12; Wrestling 9-12; Cross Country 9-12; Boy Scouts 9-12; Wrestling Club 9; Soccer Club 10; Outlaw Horseback Riding Gang 9-12; 7th Place State Wrestling

Carrie Blankenship-Cheerleader 9,10; Spanish Club 10; Class Secretary 11; Manager Tennis 11; VICA 12; HOSA 12; Computers 12; Employment- Go-Cart Track

Landon Booth -Reptile Club 10,11; Employment- Clerk Smith's Store, Food Lion

Gregory Boyer-Golf 9-12; Basketball 9-12; FCA 9,11,12; Athletic Trainers Club 10; Football Score Keeper 11; Employment- Bedford Country Club, Chestnut Creek Country Club

Tanya Branch-FHA 9-11; PDP 11; FBLA 12; Honor Roll ; Employment-Otter Creek

Amy Bridges-Marching Band 9-12; Concert Band 10-12 : All County Band 10,11; FCA 9; SADD 10-12; SCA 10; Collage 10; SODA 11; CADRE 11; NHS 11,12; Cord 12; Employment - J. Crew Outfitters

Christopher Brown-Baseball 9; Baseball 9; Employment-Revco

Keith Brown-Guitar Club 9; Employment- Wal-Mart

Melinda Brown-Drama 9; Indoor Track 9,10,12; Outdoor Track 9-12; FCA 10-12; SADD 10,11; SCA 11,12; Cross Country 11,12; Sentinel Staff 11; Who's Who 12; Honor Roll 11,12; Academic Letter 11

Robin Bryant-Black History 9,12; Employment-Kentucky Fried Chicken

Brad Burdette-Black History 9,10,12; Employment-Little Ceasers, Family Dollar

Brandon Burks-Baseball Cards 9,10; PDP 11; VICA pen trainee; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment-RST Marketing

Michele Burrus-Spanish Club 9; Collage 10; Certamin 10; American Indian Club 11; VJAS Club 11; Honor Roll 11

Monica Byers-Basketball 9-11; Softball 9-12; FCA 9-12; FCA 9,10; SADD 10; Certamin 11; Honor Roll 12; Employment-Golden Corral

Shannon Byers-Baseball Card Club 9,10; Student of the six weeks-BEC Carpentry; Honor Roll 10,12; Employment-Moore's

Michelle Carhart-FBLA 9-12; Honor Roll 11; Employment -Wal-Mart

Johnny Cash Football 9-12; Baseball 9-12; FFA 9,10; Lifting 9-12; Employment -Smith's Market, Turkey Mt. Greenhouse

Stephanie Church-Spanish Club 9-11; NHS 11; Honor Roll 11; Academic Letter 10; Employment-Bedford Animal Hospital

Stephen Church-ASTA club 10,11; Employment-Food Lion

April Clark-Flag 9,10; Black History 9-12; DECA 10; VICA 11,12; PDP 11; Honor Roll 10-12; Employment-Little Ceasers Pizza

Corey Coleman-Baseball Card 9,10; VICA 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment- Leggett, RST Marketing

Sheree' Coles-Black History Club 9; Basketball 9; Hi-Y Club 10-12; FBLA 11; Drama Club 12; Employment-Roses, Leggett

Chris Craig-Reptile Club 9; Baseball Card Club 10; VICA 11,12

Micheal Craig-Wrestling 9,10; American Indians 11,12; VICA 11,12; Employment-Schwann's

Blaine Creasy-JCL 9-11; Drama 9; SADD 10; Collage 10,11; VICA 11,12; Softball 12; Employment -Golden Corral

Micheal Croft-Baseball 9; Football 9; FFA 10; VICA 11,12; Employment-Bedford Weaving Mill

Daniel Crouch-Wrestling 9; SCA Club 11; Art Guild Club 12; Employment-Roses, Vista Foods

Crystal Daniels-FCA 9,10; Cheerleaders 9-12; GNT 9-12; Softball 9-12; SCA 10,11; NHS 11,12; Heritage Editor 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12; Super Senior Award, Homecoming Court 12; Employment-Golden Corral

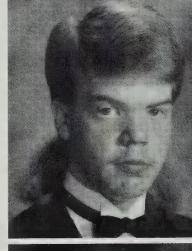
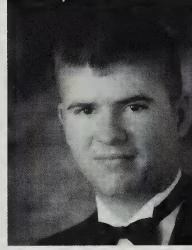
April Davis-Drama Club 9; Softball 9; FCA 10,11; Honor Roll 10,11; Academic Letter 11; Employment -Peaks of Otter

Jacob Davis-Baseball Club 9,10; Deca 11; Employment-Harris Teeter,H.L. Lawson and Son, R.B. Hauling+ Ditching

Janet Davis-Black History Club 9-12; VICA 11,12; Employment-Campbell's Rest Home

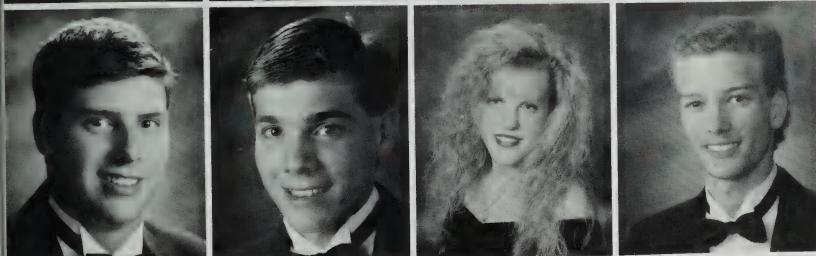
Eric Dehart-FCA 9-12; Football 9-12; Track 9; Weight Lifting 11,12; Employment-Duracoat

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Suzanne E. Aldrich
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Adam W. Babb
Dana Barber
Dwayne E. Barnett*



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Stephanie L. Biggs
Jeramy J. Bishop
Christopher H. Blair
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Crystal G. Daniels
April D. Davis
Jacob S. Davis
Janet Davis
Eric S. Dehart*

Go Seniors!

Kelly Ludwig and Adam Babb practice their senior leadership and spirit before their first pep rally as seniors. Kelly was elected class president, as well as best personality and most spirited. As you can see, Kelly was well prepared to cheer for homecoming as she sports her "GO BLUE" tattoo, red and blue "ROOTER TOOTER", and a Liberty megaphone.

Cross Country Chat

Barbara Divers (far right) makes conversation with Missy Sumner (center), Jennifer Hefley (left), and Kristi Brown (back) after a cross country run at Lynchburg College. Besides running cross country, Barbara was treasurer of the senior class.



Open Wide!!

Shannon Jurkus takes a well deserved break from being class secretary. The senior pizza party was the perfect opportunity for Shannon to relax, eat, and have fun after a long day of hard work. Besides being class secretary, Shannon was very active in sports and other clubs.



You Go Boy!

Kristi brown, reporter of the senior class complements W.T. Swain, vice president, on how nice he looks in a tux. Besides being class officers, Kristi is a photographer for the yearbook and W.T. is an escort for the Miss LHS pageant.

SENIOR SUNSHINE

THE BRIGHTER MOMENTS OF SENIOR LIFE



Victorious!

Brian Long, Chris Ridgeway, Raymond Arrington , Greg Boyer, Zac St.Clair, Stephen Shrader, Ryan Stephens, and Greg Reynolds listen to Coach Hanks at a time out. Brian, Greg, Zak, and Stephen ended their high school basketball careers in a final four game of the state tournament held at Liberty University.

I got you BABE!

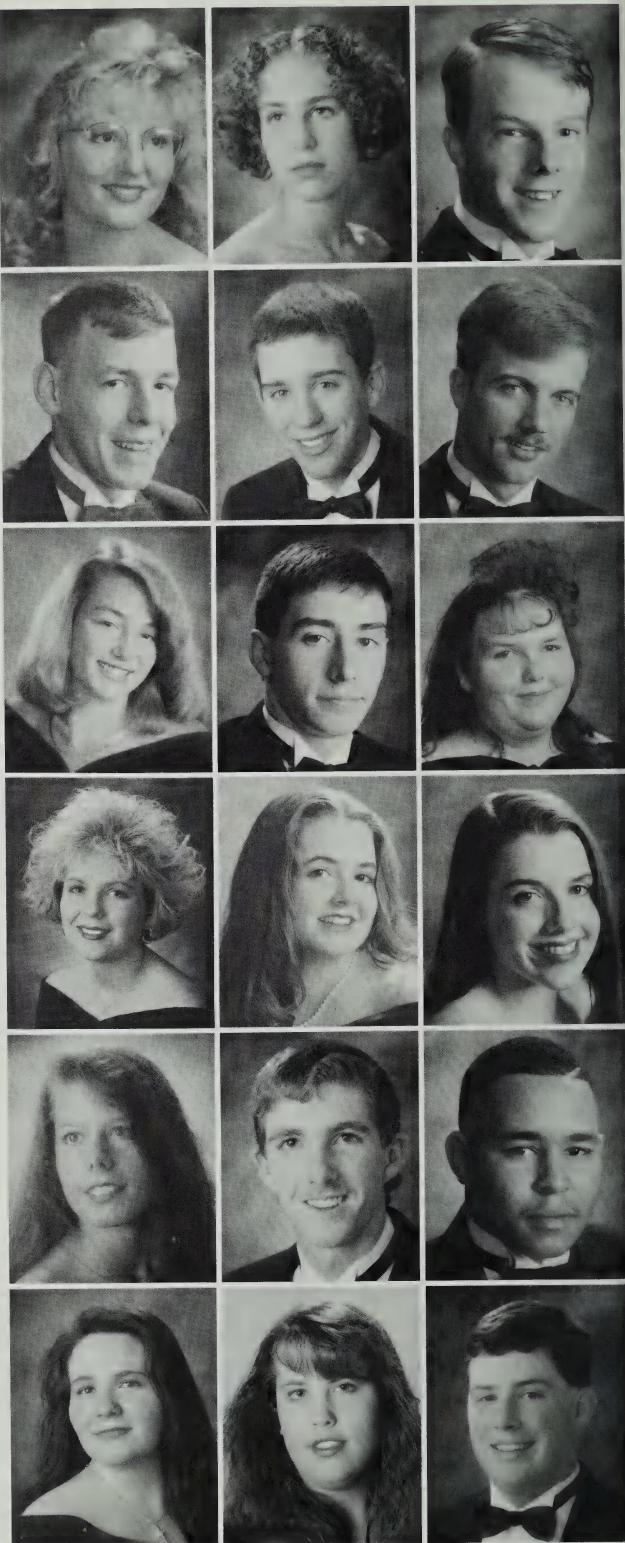
Bryan Overstreet and Kristine Price lip singing at the Mock Rock charity show.

Bryan was very active in the S.C.A. that sponsored the show and Krisitne was a member of the JETS and ACE teams.

Jet Lagged!!

Greg King, Chris Robey, Jennifer St. Clair, Dwayne Barnett, Almeda Wright, and Brian Clark relax after a tiring day of JETS. The team placed second at the engineering competition which is the best record ever in the history of the club. (Not pictured Kristine Price)

Kimberly Dellis-Band 9-12; Softball 9,10; SADD 10-12; FBLA 10; SODA 11,12; Honor Roll 10-12; Academic Letter 10; Academic Bar 11,12
Heather Detamore-SADD 10,11; Hi-Y 10; French Club 10-12; FHS 12; FBLA 10; SODA 11,12; Honor Roll 11; Employment-Winn-Dixie
James Dill-Guitar Club 9,10; Employment-Golden Corral
Barbara Divers-Cross County 9-12; Indoor Track 9,10; Spring Track 9-12; FCA 10-12; SADD 11,12; NHS 11,12; SCA 12; Honor Roll 10-12; Academic Letter 10-12
Shannon Dooley-VICA 11,12; HOSA 12; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment-Hollins Manor
John Doss-Reptile Club 10; VICA 11,12; American Indian 11; Student of the six weeks 12; Honor Roll 11
Shannon Eller-FBLA 11; Honor Roll 11
Brad Ellis-Baseball 9,10; G+T 9-12; Football 10,11; FCA 10,11; Heritage Staff 11; Hi-Y 12; Employment-Green's Drug, Scott's Automotive
Steven Epperly-Baseball Card Club 9,10; Baseball 9; Golf 10,11,12; Soccer 11; FCA 11,12
Jason Evans-Wrestling Club 10-12; Wrestling 10-12; Employment- Kentucky Fried Chicken
Katrina Evans-Black History 9,11,12; DECA 10,11; Hi-Y 11; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment-Winn-Dixie
Matthew Fifer-Deca 10; Baseball Card Club 11; Student of the six weeks 11,12; Student of the Year 11; Honor Roll 11; Employment-B&B Printing
Micheal Flowers-FFA 9-12
Bradley Fralin-FFA 9; Sports Club 10; VICA 11; Honor Roll 11
Heather Fulk-Drill Team 10; Spirit Club 9-11; DECA 9-12, Club Treasurer 12; SCA 9-12; Explorer 9-12; Captain 11-12; Spanish Club 10
Christopher Gardner-Football 9-12; FCA 9-11; Baseball 9; Wrestling 10; SCA 11,12; Soccer 11,12; FLA 12; CORD 12; Employment-Food Lion
Melanie Gibson-FBLA 9; VICA 11,12; HOŠA 12; Honor Roll 12; Employment-B+B Presentations
Angela Goff-Hi-Y 10; Honor Roll 11; Employment-Westgate Clean Center
Desirae Goff-Spanish Club 9,10; Softball 9,11,12; L NHS 11,12; LHS 11,12; JCL 11; SADD 11; FCA 12
Karla Goff-Basketball 9-11; Drama 9; Softball 9-12; Volleyball 9-10; FBLA 10,12; VICA 11,12; FCA 11; FHA 11; HOSA 12; Honor Roll 11; Employment-Golden Corral, Revco, Frank's Pizza
Tammy Goff-Art Club 10,11; Honor Roll 12
Tracey Goff-FBLA 10-12; Honor Roll 11; Employment-Roses, Mastercuts, Bedford Insurance Center
Anna Goshorn-Concert Band 9-11; Marching Band 9-12; G+T 9-12; Drama Club 9; SCA 9; FCA 10,11; NHS 11,12; Honor Roll 10; Academic Letter 10; Academic Letter 11,12
Shannon Greer-JCL 9; G+T 9-12; Hi-Y 9; FBLA 10; French Club 10,11; Drama Club 10; NHS 11,12; SCA 11; Employment-Winn-Dixie, Wal-Mart, Tidelines International
Jeff Hallauer-Football 9; Soccer 11,12; Collage 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment-Hardees, Wal-Mart
Jason Harris-Black History 9-12; Football 9,10; Track 9-12; NAACP 11; German Club 12
Jeron Harris-Black History 9-12; G+T 9-12; Honor Roll 9-12; Employment-McDonalds
Catherine Hayes-Marching Band 9,10; Concert Band 9-12; FCA 9; Collage 10-12; SADD 10-12; SODA 11; NHS 11,12; ACE 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12
Jennifer Hefley-Drama 9,11; Indoor Track 9-12, District + State; Outdoor Track 9-12; FCA 10-12; Scorekeeper Girls'Boys' Basketball 11,12; NHS 11,12; SADD 11,12; Cross Country 12; CORD 12; Heritage Staff 12; Employment-Cato's, B+B Presentations
Nick Hicks-Reptile Club 9,10; Heritage Staff 10; VICA 11,12; Employment - Winn- Dixie, Food Lion
Derek Hobson-Basketball 9,10; Black History 9; Baseball 9; Track 9,10; DECA 10; FCA 11; Employment-Food Lion, Revco
Jamie Hogan-Softball 9,10; Volleyball 10,11; DECA 12; SADD 12; Employment-Applebee's, Terrace House
Sumer Hogan-FHA 9; Volleyball 9; FBLA 11; DECA 11,12; Employment-B+B Presentations
Whitney Hogan-FCA 9,11,12; Cheerleader 9-12; Tennis 11; Homecoming Court 10,11; Homecoming Queen 12; Employment-Golden Coral, Food Lion
Linda Howell-Poetry Club 11; Guitar Club 12; Honor Roll 11,12
Mary Hurt-Drama 9; VICA 11; American Indian
William Hytton-Band 9; Winter Guard 9; Marching Band 9; Chorus 10; Reptile Club 10; Choir 11; Drama Club
Caleb Jackson-Black History 9,11,12; Spanish Club 10; Heritage Staff 10; Drama Club 11,12
Jermaine Johnson-Black History 9,10; Basketball 9; Track 11; Art Club 11; Marketing Club 12; Employment-Country Kitchen, Golden West Foods
Sean Johnson-VICA 11
Tammy Jones-Fox's Kids Club 9; FHA 9; VICA 11,12; Black History Club 12; Employment-SYEP





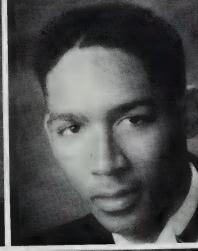
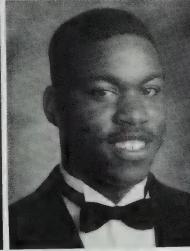
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Mary M. Hurt
William C. Hylton
Caleb Jackson
Jermaine A. Johnson
Sean W. Johnson
Tammy R. Jones*

Some illy uper eniors

Superlatives were a way to recognize students that stood out

Best Looking

Stephen Shrader & Crystal Daniels

Best Personality

W.T. Swain & Kelly Ludwig

Class Clown

Brad Ellis & Amy Taylor

Biggest Flirt

Brian Long & Whitney Hogan

Most Likely To Succeed

Chris Robey & Kristine Price

Most Gullible

Jimmy Dill & Monica Byers

Most Spirited

Tim Stanley & Kelly Ludwig

Most Athletic

Mike Padgett & Amy Baxter

Best Dressed

Derek Hobson & Jen Kern

Most Talkative

Chris Gardner & La' Shonna Wright

Quietest

Mike Starkey & Shaunalee Bailey

Funniest Laugh

Sam Leftwich & Melissa Pankey

We are Idiots !!

Brad Ellis ,Amy Taylor, Whitney Hogan, and Brian Long clown around as they pose for a picture. These students definitely made the class rooms an environment for fun. Brian and Whitney were voted biggest flirts while Brad and Amy were voted class clowns by the senior class.

Tree Monkeys !

W.T. Swain and Kelly Ludwig seem to be having fun as the tangle themselves in the tree. W.T. and Kelly were voted best personality by their senior class.



-Missy Murphy



Cheesie

Melissa Pankey laughs hysterically as President of the S.C.A. Melissa was voted funniest laugh by her fellow seniors.



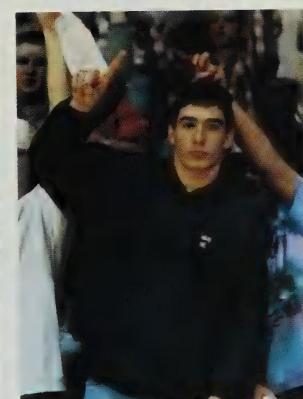
Talking Again?

La'Shonna Wright was voted most talkative by the senior class. La'Shonna excelled in academics as well as extracurricular activities.



Stylin' and Profilin'

Jennifer Kern, Derek Hobson, Crystal Daniels, and Stephen Shrader smile big for the camera. Appearance and clothing were important to many students. Jennifer and Derek were voted best dressed while Crystal and Stephen were voted best looking by the senior class.



Us Gullible?

Jimmy Dill and Monica Byers were voted most gullible by their classmates. Sometimes being nice and honest just doesn't pay off.

Number one feeling!!

Chris Gardner shows off his spirit at the state basketball quarterfinals. Chris was involved in S.C.A. and several sports including football. Chris was voted most talkative by his fellow seniors.

Computer whiz

Chris Robey and Kristine Price seem to be solving the budget problems of the U.S. government. Both students attended Magnet School and plan to attend college.

Just Hangin' Around

Tim Stanley, Mike Padgett, Amy Baxter, and Kelly Ludwig show off their talents and spirit. Tim and Kelly were voted most spirited while Mike and Amy were voted most athletic by the senior class.

William Judge-Guitar 9-11

Shannon Jurkus-FCA 9-12; Basketball 9-12; Baseball 9,10; Volleyball 10-12; SADD 10; SCA 10-12; Class Secretary 10-12; NHS 11,12; G&T 11,12; Academic Letter 9-12; Honor Roll 9-12

Brandon Karnes-Conservation Club 10; Employment-McDonalds

Patty Karnes-French Club 10,12; Spanish Club 11; Honor Roll 11,12; Academic Letter 11; Employment-McDonalds

Jeanette Kenny-Outdoor Track 9; Indoor Track 9; Hi-Y 10; SADD 10,11; Drama Club 10-12; Play 10-12; NHS 11,12; Collage 11; Honor Roll 10; Academic Letter 10

Jennifer Kern-Spanish Club 10; FBLA 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment-Winn-Dixie,Court House

Cory Key-Track 9,10; Tennis 9,11,12; Baseball Card Club 10; Hi-Y 11,12; Football 11,12; Weight lifting 11,12; Employment,Peaks of Otter

Gregory King-JETS 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12; Academic Letter 11

Cheere Lantz-Drama 9; Cheerleading 9-12; G&T 10-12; SADD 10; Collage 10; German Club 11,12; Employment-Sheltered Workshop,Snack Shop

Justin Laughlin-Hi-Y 9-12; Soccer 9,10; Basketball 10; SADD 12

Christine Lavoie-Band 9; Reptile Club 9-11; Marching Band 10; Concert Band 10; FBLA 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment- Winn-Dixie, Elk's Home

Samuel Leftwich-Black History 9; Basketball 9,10; DECA 10-12; Spanish Club 11; Employment-Stephen's Galley, Rubatex

Jill Lipscomb-SADD 10; FBLA 10,11; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment- Quik Rental,Golden Corral

Brian Long-Basketball 9-12; FCA 9-12; JCL 9,10; SCA 9; Baseball 9-12

Jaime Long-Basketball 9-11; FCA 9-12; G&T 9-12; Treasurer 9-11; NHS 12; Honor Roll 9-12; Employment-Winn-Dixie

Tanya Lowe-Black History 10; FBLA 11; Employment-B&B Printing

Kelly Ludwig-G&T 9,11; Drama Club 9-11; SCA 10-12; Class President 10,12; Hi-Y 11; NHS 11;President 12; Collage 11,12; Heritage Staff 11; Sentinel Staff 12; Honor Roll 9-12; Academic Letter 11,12;Employment- Billy's Pharmacy

Leonard Markham-Wrestling Club 9,10; Wrestling 9,10; VICA 11; Reptile Club 11; Employment-Food Lion

Tracie Martin-FHA 9,10; FBLA 11,12; Student of the Six Weeks 11;

Employment-Piedmont Label,J-Crew

Rebecca Martin-Black History 9; DECA 10,11; FBLA 11; Employment-McDonalds

Chad Martin-Baseball Carb Club 9,10; PDP 11,12; VICA 11,12; Employment-Big Orange

Toby Markham-Wrestling 9-12; G&T 9-12; FCA 9-12;Football 10-12; Weight lifting 10-12; NHS 11,12; Employment-Subway, New London Airport

Patrick Marshall-Baseball Card Club 10,11; VICA 11,12; G&T 12; Employment-297 Minute Market

Mary Mason-Cheerleader 9-12; G&T 9-12; JCL 9,10; SADD 10,11; NHS 11,12; FCA 11,12; Tennis 11; Honor Roll 10-12; Academic Letter 10-12; Employment-Arthur's Jewelry

Micah McCauley-Basketball 9-12

Bryant McDaniel-Reptiles 9; Baseball Card Club 10,11; VICA 11,12

Amy McKinney-Art Club 10; Art Guild 11; Poets' Society 12; Employment-Golden Corral

Jamie McKinney-German Club 9,11,12; SADD 9,10,12; Cheerleader 9; Collage 10; Academic Letter 11; Employment-Orvis, McDonalds

Carla Meador-FCA 9-12; G&T 9-12; Cheerleader 9-12; Tennis 10-12; SADD 12; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment-Golden Corral

James Meyer-Baseball Card Club 9; FCA 10; SADD 11,12; Hi-Y 11,12; SODA 12; NHS 12; Academic Letter 11; Employment-McDonalds,J&L Electronics

Deborah Miller-FHA 9,10; DECA 10; VICA 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment-Taste-Freeze,Winn-Dixie

Kristy Mitchell-SADD 9,10; Softball 9; DECA 10; American Indian Club 11; VICA 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment-IGA, Wal-Mart

Joel Morgan-French Club 9,10; Band 9; Concert 10-12; Marching 10-12; Baseball 9; Soccer 9,12; Football 9; FCA 10,12; NHS 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12; Academic Letter 10-12

Melissa Murphy-Cheerleader 9,10,12; Soccer Manager 9,10; FCA 10-12; Heritage Staff 12; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment-Food Lion

Julie Newman-VICA 10,11; Student of the Six Weeks 11; Employment-Kentucky Fried Chicken

Bryan Overstreet-Spanish Club 10,11; NHS 11,12; SCA 11,12; SADD 11,12; ACE 11,12; Collage 11,12; G&T 9-12; Heritage Staff 12; Employment-Everythings A Dollar

Michael Padgett-Baseball Card Club 9; Football 9-12; Baseball 9,11,12; Basketball 9,10,12; FFA 10; Honor Roll 11

Melissa Pankey-German Club 9; SADD 9-12; SCA 10-12, President 12; Collage 10-12; Volleyball 10,11; NHS 10-12; G&T 12; Honor Roll 9-12; Academic Bar 11

Joseph Parker-Baseball 9-12; Baseball Card Club 9,10; Football 9-12; SADD 10,11; FCA 11,12; G&T 11,12; Honor Roll 10-12; Employment-Peaks of Otter

Mandy Parker-Chorus 10; Spanish Club 10; Drama 11,12; School Play 11,12; G&T 12; American Indian Club 12; Honor Roll 9-12; Academic Letter 9-12; Employment-B&B Presentations

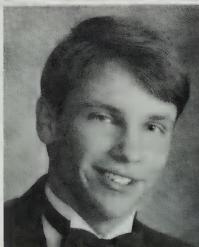
Tiffany Parker-Cheerleading 9; FHA 9; Indian Culture Club 10; VICA 10,12; HOSA 12; Employment-Green's Drug Store

Wendy Parker-SADD 10

Edward Payne-Reptile Club 9,10; VICA 11,12; Student of the Six Weeks 11 ; Honor Roll 11,12

Amanda Pelfrey-Drama Club 9-12; Collage 10-12; French Club 10-12

Eliot Phillips-4-H Club 11-12, Adopt-a-Highway 12, Sprinter 9,10; Long Jump 12; Prevocational Trainee





*William E. Judge
Shannon M. Jurkus
Brandon Karnes
Patty L. Karnes
Jeanette E. Kenny
Jennifer H. Kern
Cory A. Key*

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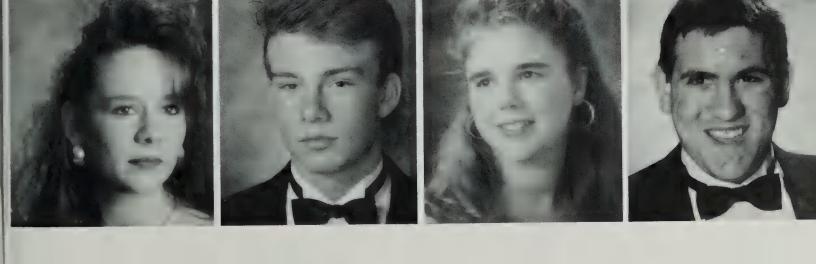
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*Rebecca A. Martin
Tracie D. Martin
Mary C. Mason
Bryant A. McDaniel
Amy L. McKinney
Jamie L. McKinney
Carla F. Meador*



*James M. Meyer
Deborah L. Miller
Kristy M. Mitchell
Joel W. Morgan
Melissa L. Murphy
Bryan S. Overstreet
Melissa G. Pankey*



*Joseph L. Parker
Mandy N. Parker
Tiffany F. Parker
Wendy G. Parker
Edward L. Payne
Amanda L. Pelfrey
Eliot Phillips*

Senior Spirit

*Senior's spirit soared throughout the year.
Whether they played a sport or just supported
the team the senior class was always ready to
show their pride*

Good Job!

Corey Key smiles proudly as he receives the Trig Star award for 1994 from Mr. Donnie Slusher and Mr. House. In addition to excelling in the classroom Corey also plays tennis and football.

Eat up!

Denise Hayes, Bryan Overstreet, and Kristine Price eat in the cafeteria on advisor/advisee day. Seniors and juniors ate lunch together on these days.



Yum Yum!

Mary Carter Mason shows off what she is eating at the pizza party. Many seniors attended the annual pizza party before the traditional homecoming bonfire.



Go Liberty!

Kevin Slocum hangs a balloon for the hall decorating contest. Halls were judged on spirit and cleanliness.

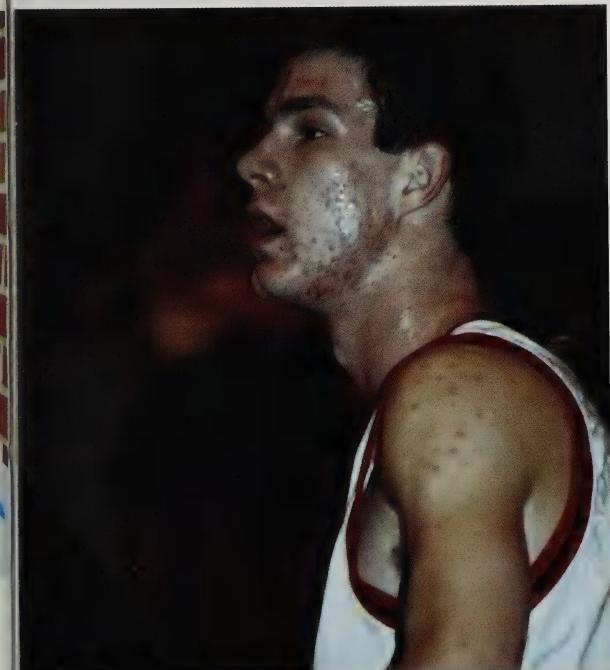


Mixed Emotions

Eric Arrington and his mom smile happily during senior night while Toby Markham and his father look sad. Different people react in different ways toward their last match.

Hey Baby!

Melissa Pankey and Stephanie Church goof off outside the gym before the pep rally. The Seniors won the hall decorating contest held during spirit week.



Hail to the queen!

Stacy Spinner salutes the crowd during the band's halftime show at the Homecoming game. The band's theme was Rule Britannia.

Don't sweat it!

Brian Long watches the regional tournament final game in shock. Although the Minutemen lost this game against Notrhtside they still advanced to the state tournament.

Nicole Pietras-FFA 9,10; FHA 9; Track Manager 11,12; Collage 12; SADD 12; Employment-McDonalds, B&B Presentations

Barbara Polakova-Hi-Y Club 12

Kristine Price-Marching Band 9,11,12; G&T 9,11,12; Concert Band 9,11,12; JCL 9,10,12; Jazz Band 10; Collage 10; JETS 10,11; SODA 11; SADD 11,12; NHS 11,12; ACE 11,12; Sentinel Editor 12

Bruce Puckett-Guitar Club 9,10; Cabinet Making 10-12; Carpentry 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12

Farrah Pullen-Black History 9; Cheerleader 9,10; Hi-Y 10,11; Employment-Green's Drug, Leggett Outlet Center

Bernadette Rabin-FBLA 11,12; Employment-Cato's

Crystal Rettinghaus-Collage 10-12; SADD 10-12; Ms. LHS Decorator 12

Jason Rice-Marching Band 9; Concert Band 10; Baseball Card Club 9,10

Wydell Ridgeway-VICA 10-12; Baseball Card Club 10

Alexander Robertson-Collage 10-12; G&T 12

Christopher Robey-Concert Band 9,10; Marching Band 9-12; G&T 9-12; JETS 10,11; Soccer 10-12; NHS 11,12; Honor Roll 9-12; Academic Letter 10; Academic Bar 11,12; Employment-Winn-Dixie

Summer Salyer-SADD 9-12; Latin Club 9; JCL 10,11; Hi-Y 10,12; SODA 12; Honor Roll 11; Employment-Terrace House

Stephanie Schier-Softball 10,11; Honor Roll 9-12; Employment-Vista Food

Sophie Scruggs-FHA 9; FBLA 10; Poets Society 11; VICA 11,12; Guitar Club 12; Honor Roll 12; Employment-Native Cotton, Easter Island, T-Bones Tavern

Stephen Shrader-Basketball 9-12; SADD 9,10; JCL 9,10; FCA 10-12; NHS 12; Golf 12; Honor Roll 11,12; Academic Letter 12

Kevin Slocum-French Club 9,10; SADD 10-12; Collage 10,11; NHS 11,12; SCA 12; Honor Roll 9-11; Academic Letter 9; Academic Bar 10,11

Christopher Small-Drama 9,10; Band 9-12; Collage 10; Soccer 10; DECA 11,12; SCA 12; SADD 12; Employment-Winn-Dixie, Wal-Mart Hardee's, Liberty Station, Golden Corral

Lawanna Smith-Latin Club 9,10; SADD 9; Band 9-12; FHA 10; JCL 11,12; Honor Roll 11

Russell Smith-FCA 9-12; Football 9-12; Baseball 9-12; Basketball 9;

Michael Spinner-Reptile Club 9-11; VICA 11,12; Employment-Movie Time, B&B Presentations

Tim Stanley-Football 9,10,12; Baseball 9,10,12; Weight Lifting 9,10; FCA 9-12; Honor Roll 12; Employment-Kentucky Fried Chicken

April St.Clair-Collage 10; SODA 11; Employment-Winn-Dixie

Jennifer St.Clair-German 9; Jazz Band 9,10; Marching Band 9-12; Concert Band 10-12; SADD 10-12; FCA 10; NHS 11,12; SADD 11,12; Tennis 10-12; ACE 11,12; JETS 11,12; Honor Roll 9-12; Academic Letter 10; Academic Bar 11,12

Zachery St. Clair-Basketball 9-12; Baseball 9; Soccer 9; FCA 11,12; G&T 12; Honor Roll 11,12; Employment-Food Lion

Bambi Stevens-FCA 9; Basketball 10; SADD 10,11; FBLA 10,11; NHS 11; FBLA 11; Baseball 11; Employment-Golden Corral

Kathy Stevens-SADD 10-12; Honor Council 11-12; Drama Club 9-12; Choir 10-11; Honor Roll 11,12; SODA 12; Sentinel 12; Employment-B & B Presentations, Winn-Dixie

Melissa Sumner-Volleyball 9; Spring Track 9-12; Indoor Track 10,11; Cross Country 10-12; Pep Club 9; Spanish Club 10; FCA 11,12; Practical Nursing 12; Employment-Vista Food

Todd Swain-Black History Club 9-12; Employment-Little Caesar's, McDonald's, Wayne Swain-Va. Math League 9; Drama 10-12; Band 9-12; All County 10-12; Track 10; NHS 11-12; Honor Roll 10-12; Wrestling 12; Collage 11-12; JCL 9-12; SODA 12

William Swain-JCL 9-12; Band 9-12; Academic Letter 10; NHS 11-12; FCA 10; Boy's State 11; Class Vice President 12; Employment-Library

Lorenza Tanner-VICA 10-12, Baseball Card Club 10; Employment-Dairy Farm.

Amy Taylor-Va. Math League 9; Band 9; Choir 9; Drama 10; Hi-Y 11; SADD 11; German Club 11; President 11, SCA 11

William Terry-Band 9-10; FCA 9-12; Wrestling 10, Wrestling Club 10, Football 11-12; Honor Roll 11-12; Employment-Leggett

Karen Thomas-FBLA 10-12; Chapter Secretary 12; Employment-Roadside Market Parkway Physicians.

Robert Tice-Football 9-12 ,Varsity Captain 11-12; Basketball 9-10; Spirit Club 9-11; Science Club 9-10; S.C.A 9-12; Explorer Squad Leader 9-10.

William Tillman-Band 9-12; Soccer 9-12; FCA 9-12; Honor Roll 10-12; Soccer Club 11-12; SADD 12; Science Fair 12; Employment-Leggett

Angela Timnell-Hi-Y 9; Drama 10, Collage 10; FBLA 11-12; Reporter 12; French Club 11; Employment Hardee's, B&B Presentations, Winn-Dixie, Obaugh, Olde Liberty Station, Tidewater Industries.

Jessica Tolley-Cheerleader 9; Spanish Club 10, Hi-Y 11, VICA 11, VIJAS 12, Class Vice President 11, Homecoming Court 11, American Indian Club 12, Practical Nursing 12, Employment- Physicians Treatment Center

Edward Tomlin-Baseball Card Club 9-12; Employment- H & H Food Market, Golden Corral

Nicholas Toms-FCA 9-11; Football 9; Employment-Winn-Dixie

Phillip Tuck-FCA 9-10; School Play 10; VICA 11-12, Art Show Honorable Mention 10; Honor Roll 11-12; Employment Advanced Auto

Daniel Waechter-Reptile Club 9; Baseball Card Club 9-10; Spanish Club 10

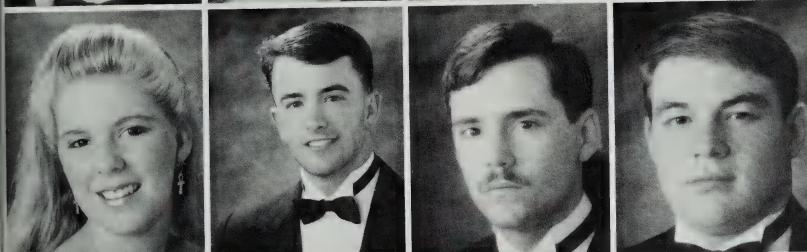




Nicole Pietras
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Lawanna M. Smith
Russell W. Smith
Michael L. Spence
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Jennifer St. Clair
Zachary C. St. Clair
Bambi L. Stevens
Kathy M. Stevens
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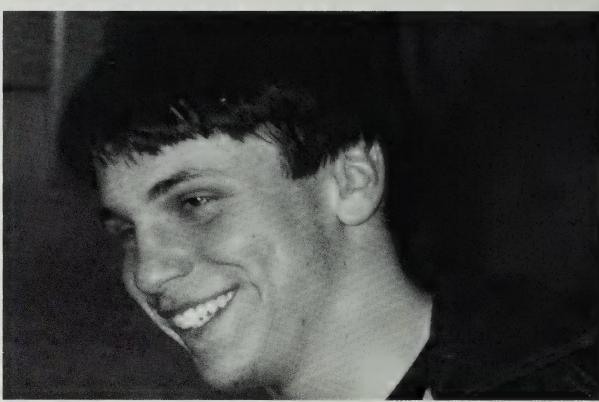


William M. Tillman
Angelia D. Tinnell
Jessica R. Tolley
Edward A. Tomlin
Nicholas P. Toms
Phillip W. Tuck
Daniel J. Waechter

Brian Welch- Baseball Card Club 9,10; VICA 11-12; Employment-Construction
Roy Wheat- Baseball Card Club 9; Spanish Club President 10-11; FFA 11-12;
 Secretary 11-12; Employment- Revco, Duis Nursery, Hicks Quality Remodeling and Contracting
Christopher Wheeler- G/T 9-12; FCA 9-12
 Timothy White- FFA, 9-10; VICA 11-12; Carpentry I & II; Employment- Peaks of Otter Lodge, Witt Brothers Concrete Wall, Bedford Home Improvement
Angela Wilson- Home Economics Club 9; Cheerleader 9; FBLA 10; SADD 11; FCA 11-12; Employment- Amoco Food Shop, J. Crew
Emily Wilson- Art Club 10-12; Honor Roll 11; Spring Art Show 10; Dare to Discover 12
Joseph Wilson- Drama 9-10; Track 9-10; French Club 10; Poets' Society 10; French Club 10; American Indian Culture Club 12
Kimberly Wilson- Drama Club 9; Art Club 10; VICA 11-12; Employment B&B Presentations, Taco Bell
Yolanda Wilson- Black History Club 9-12; Officer 9, President 10, Advance Committee 11, Secretary 12; D-Day Play 11; Miss LHS Contestant 11-12; Sentinel 12; Employment- Rally's, The Orvis Company
Travis Wingfield- Baseball 9; Tennis 10-12; Baseball Card Club 10; Art Show 11; Art Club 12
Cassidy Witt- G/T 9-12; JCL 9; SADD 9-10; FBLA 10; FCA 11; Employment- Revco
Jean Witt- Spanish Club 9-12; VA Academy of Science 9; Science Fair 9-12; Regional Science Fair 9-12; Honor Roll 9-12; SADD 11-12; SODA 12; JETS 11-12; Radford Math Rally 12; Collage 12, Science Olympics 12; D-Day Project 11; Academic Letter 10-12; NHS 11-12
Almeda Wright- Academic Competition for Excellence(ACE); JETS; Gifted and Talented; Spanish Club; Hi-Y club; FBLA; SADD; NHS; SCA; SODA.
La'Shonna Wright- Black History Club; President 9; SCA 9; Miss LHS 9-12, First Runner-up 11; Nonfinalist Talent Winner 12; Academic Letter 9-12; Fall Play 11; Spring Play 11; D-Day Play 11; Member of the Strategic Planning Committee for the Center of Rural Development; Radford Math Rally; Employment -Kentucky Fried Chicken

What's So Funny?

Joe Parker seems to laughing really hard while socializing with his friends. Joe was envolved in many extracurricular activities such as football and baseball.



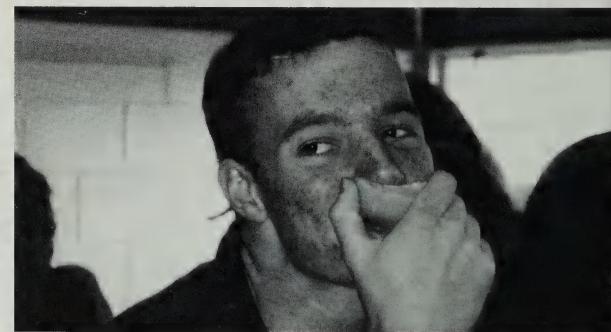
Senior Group (photograph located on Pages 34-35)

Front Row: Roy Wheat, Stephen Shrader, Greg Boyer, Tim Stanley. Second Row: Cheerre Lantz, April Davis, Carla Meador, Crystal Daniels, Monica Byers, Missy Murphey, Whitney Hogan, Steven Epperly, Michael Tillman, Joel Morgan, Kristy Mitchell, Linda Howell, Sophie Scruggs, Robbie Robertson, Keith Brown, Mary Hurt, Julie Newman, Christine Schrobs, Patty Karnes, Nicole Petras. **Third Row:** David Beckwith, Alan Tomlin, Jamie McKinney, Eric Dehart, Chris Wheeler, Casper Schaadt, Sheree Coles, April Clark, Anna Goshorn, Michelle Burrus, Stephanie Church, Denise Hayes, Almeda Wright, Kelly Ludwig, Mellissa Pankey, Kristi Brown, Barbra Divers, Jennifer Hefley, Missy Sumner, Caleb Jackson. **Fourth Row:** Tanya Branch, Cassidy Witt, Angie Wilson, Desirae Goff, Amy Taylor, Karen Thomas, Tracey Goff, Christina Lavioe, LaShonna Wright, Yolanda Wilson, Farrah Pullen, Amy Baxter. **Fifth Row:** Karle Goff, Bambi Stevens, Jamie Long, Rodney Andrews, James Meyer, W.T. Swain, Jason Rice, Kim Lee, Jaime Hogan, Summer Salyer, Derek Hobson, Mary Carter Mason, Shannon Jurkus, Brian Long, Chris Blair, Mike Padgett, Zak St. Clair, Russell Smith, Stacey Spinner, Tammy Jones, Robin Bryant. **Sixth Row:** Wendy Parker, Tiffany Parker, Carrie Blankenship, Jessica Tolley, Nick Toms, Travis Wingfield, Kim Dellis, C.J. Harris, Sam Leftwich, Stephen Church, Cory Key, Toby Markham, Lionell Campbell, Eliot Phillips, Chris Hylton. **Seventh Row:** Corey Cloeman, Brian Welch, Mike Flowers, Timmy White, Mike Croft, Jason Dooley, Matt Fifer, Phillip Tuck, Justin Laughlin, Wayne Swain, Kathy Stevens, Rebecca Martin, Micah McCauley, Wydell Ridgeway, Adam Babb, Joesph Parker, Greg Harris, Bernadette Rabin, John Doss, Mandy Parker. **Eighth Row:** Danny Waechter, Jason Evans, Johnny Cash, April St. Clair, Jeron Harris, Brad Burdette, Janet Davis, Jason Roberts, Mike Craig, Dustin Bennett, Danny Crouch. **Ninth Row:** Chris Brown, Brad Ellis, Timmy Gill, Amanda Pelfrey, Dwayne Barnett, Kristine Price, Bryan Overstreet, Todd Swain, Lorenzo Tanner, Kevin Slocum. **Tenth Row:** Joey Wilson, Angelia Tinnell, Angie Goff, Heather Detamore, Jeff Hallauer, Tina Dodd, Michelle Carhart, Alison Witt, Landon Booth, Jerry St. Clair, Cory Agee, Jimmy Dill, Eric Arrington, L.T. Markham, Mike Starkey. **Eleventh Row:** Lynn Miller, Shannon Dooley, Jeanette Dimattia, Tammy Goff, Crystal Rettinghaus, Jacob Davis, Chad Martin, Edward Payne, Brad Fralin, William Judge. **Twelfth Row:** Melanie Gibson, Christy Hogan, Emily Wilson, Kim Wilson, Bruce Puckett, Mike Spence, Jill Lipscomb, Bryant Mc Daniel, Chris Craig, Scott Marshall.



What in the world

Crystal Daniels and Russell Smith seem confused as they work on the computer. Yearbook can get hectic and teamwork is the key.



Yummy

Zak St. Clair seems to be enjoying his orange at lunch. Some students chose to eat fruit after lunch instead of ice cream.



*Brian S. Welch
Roy L. Wheat
Christopher L. Wheeler
Timothy L. White*



*Angela P. Wilson
Emily S. Wilson
Joseph Wilson
Kimberly D. Wilson*



*Yolanda S. Wilson
Travis W. Wingfield
Cassidy L. Witt
Jean A. Witt*



*Almeda M. Wright
La'Shonna M. Wright*



Oh Yea

Amy Baxter hurries to class. Students only have five minutes between classes , so talking must be done on the move.

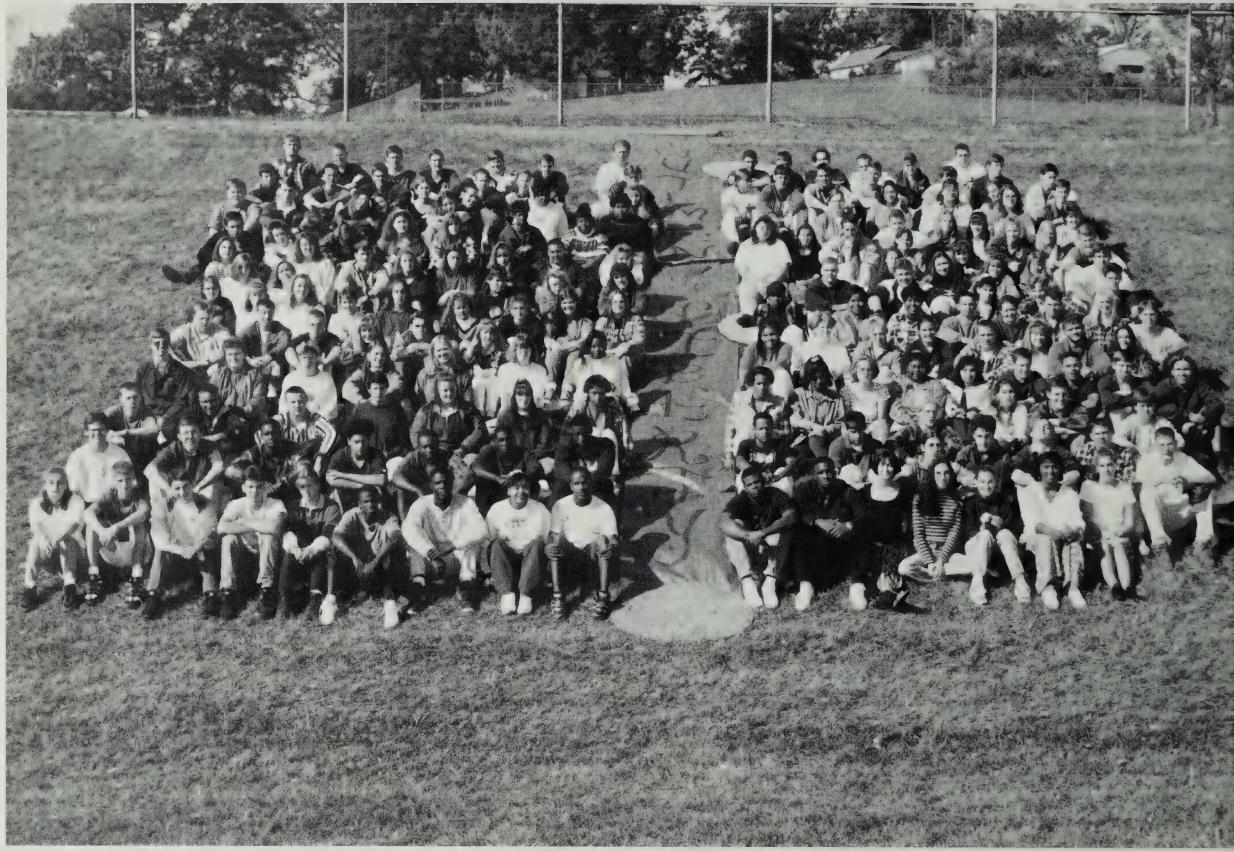
Book Worm

Danny Crouch and Patty Karnes crack the books to work on their research papers. A term paper was an exit requirement for graduation.



Class of '96

Juniors



Junior Class Picture:

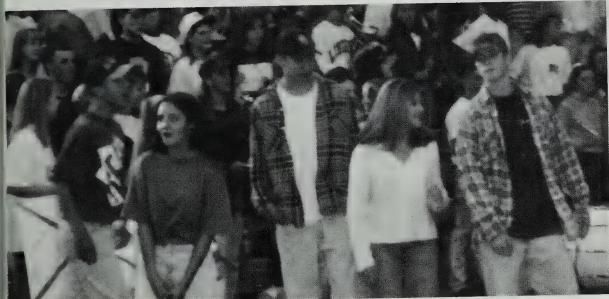
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Juniors In Control

These juniors decided ,that in addition to school and extracurricular activities ,they would also accept the responsibility of taking control of their class

The Royal Court

Anna Bramlett, Chad Noell, Carson Overstreet, and Scott Markham represent the junior class in the Homecoming Court at the pep-rally. Carson was the vice president, and Anna the reporter of the junior class.



Go Liberty

Joseph Parker, Greta Davis, Sue Lynn Cowlbeck and Sarah Stallard show their Liberty pride at the state quarterfinal boys' basketball game. Greta was the junior class treasurer.



Junior Spirit

Kellea Whorley hangs a sign at the state quarterfinal game at Virginia High School. Kellea was the junior class secretary.



Vice President?

Felicia Miller doesn't look thrilled about her new title in an American Studies simulation. She is the President of the junior class and has been president for the past three years.

Junior Class Officers:

President:
Felicia Miller

Vice President:
Carson Overstreet

Secretary:
Kellea Whorley

Treasurer:
Greta Davis

Reporter:
Anna Bramlett

Outside of School

*Most students have a life outside of school.
Through field trips or their own activities
they find time to have fun*

All Together Now

(Front to back) Doug Overstreet, Barbara Polakova, Carson Overstreet, Ryan Stevens, Emily Rowe, Sarah Landis, Anne Eubank, Carla Hendricks, Steve Sanderson, Sonya Richbourg, Shannon Linton, William Brown, and Bobby Philips pose for a picture on an American Studies field trip. Field trips had to prove valuable to be approved.



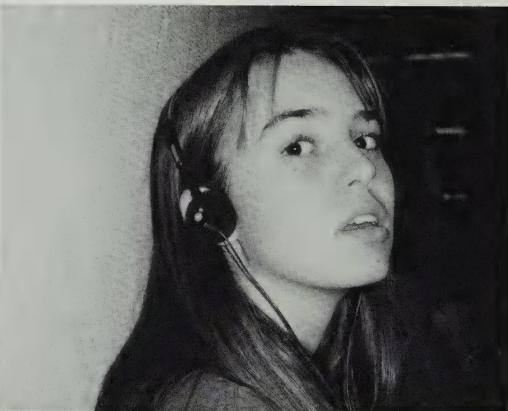
Don't Fall

Laura Rodriguez smiles for the camera from the girls' basketball float in the Christmas parade. The girls' basketball team won the district tournament.



Relaxing

Sandy Hurt takes a break after a Roman Cultures test at the Latin Convention. Taking languages gave students chances to learn away from school.





Matthew Adkins
Emily Allen
Sara Anderson
Jessica Andrews
Chris Arnold
Cheryl Arrington
Lisa Ashworth

Michael Ayers
Mandy Baumgartner
Carlye Beverly
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Matthew Burke
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Lisa Carr
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Brian Clark
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Lori Coleman

James Coles
Meagan Cox
Denny Craighead
Randall Craighead
Jennifer Creasy
Christopher Curd
Stuart Dailey

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Died Mar. 13, 1995)

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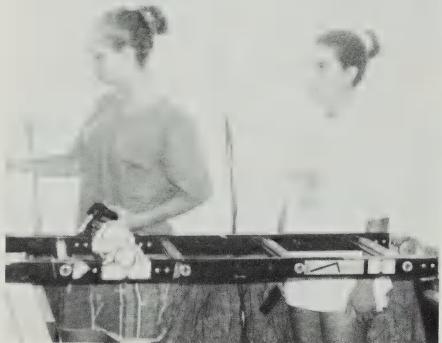
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Christina Fuellgraf
Christopher Fulton

No Time To Play

After playing around and listening to music the first day of decorating Juniors soon realized there really was no time to play

It goes just like this

Kara Young shows Emily Allen how to get the gossamer to stay where she wants it. Gossamer has been a tradition at proms lately.



Here paint with this brush

Laura Villarial helps Libby Burnette paint an arc for prom. The Juniors used lots of props to transform the gym for "Wonderful Tonight".



Get out of there

Regan Warner and Anne Eubank concentrate on separating gold leaves. The colors used were black, gold, and purple.

Hold this still

Lee Fisher attempts to glue gold leaves on a column while Kevin Smith holds it still. Working together seems to help.





Jason Gillenwater
Corey Gilmore
James Goff
Mark Goff
Nicole Gray
Shannon Gray
Shannon Hall

Charles Hamilton
Charlie Hamilton
Pamela Harris
Angela Hatcher
Darrell Haynes
Carla Hendricks
Michelle Heptinstall

Bridget Hobson
Lauren Hobson
Christopher Hogan
Kesha Hurt
Sandra Hurt
David Hylton
Cristy Jacobs

John Johnson
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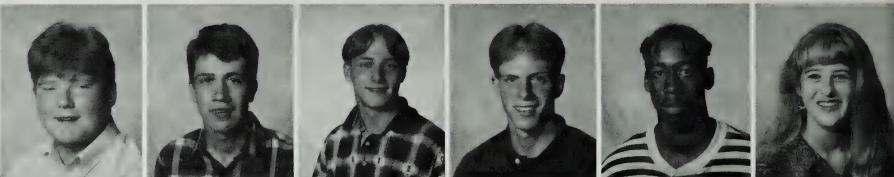
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Scott Markham
Curtis Martin
Michael Mayhew

Tonya McEnheimer
Catherine McMillan
Kevin Melton
Felicia Miller
Tiffany Miller
Jason Nichols
Chad Noell

Fred Oliver
Angela Overstreet
Clifton Overstreet
Carson Overstreet
Jaclyn Overstreet
Michael Overstreet
Nicholas Overstreet

Robert Overstreet
Roger Overstreet
Travis Overstreet
Jason Owens
Jeffrey Parker
Jennifer Parker
Joseph Payne



Jason Perdue
Bobby Phillips
Perry Pinion
Barbora Polakova
Jason Powers
William Preston
Meredith Reaves



Andrea Reynolds
Gregg Reynolds
Sonya Richbourg
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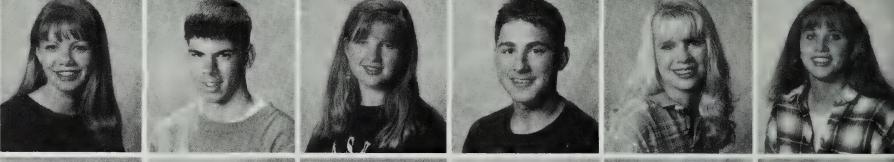
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Holly Venhorst
Laura Villarial



Delores Waldron
Shannon Walker
Regan Warner
Christopher West
Kellea Whorley
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In Loving Memory

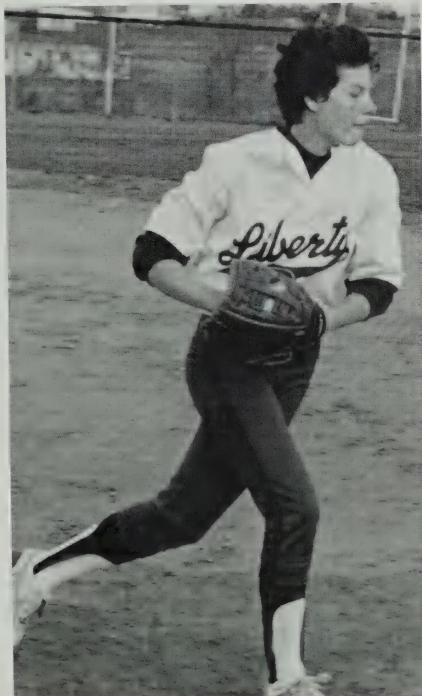
Though Heather Dooley and Douglas Beckner are no longer with us, their memory will live forever in the hearts they touched

Like an angel
We watched her grow
into a beautiful, heavenly entity.
Like an angel
she came into our lives
sent here by God
to touch each one of us.
Like an angel
she came into our hearts
taught us of happiness
and blessed us with her smile.
Like an angel
she came to help us
and when her job was done
heaven called her home.

*Dedicated to Heather Dooley
by Crystal Franklin.*

Getting Recognized

Heather receives an award for softball. Heather was awarded first team All-district and second team All-region her sophomore year.



What A Smile

Heather Dooley smiles for her school picture. Heather's big smile and positive attitude touched the hearts of many students. (Picture not available of Douglas Beckner)

A True Champion

Heather Dooley gets the out at first. Heather loved softball and played like a true champ.

**Heather Marie
Dooley**

*December 24, 1977
to
March 13, 1995*

**Douglas Matthew
Beckner**

*September 14, 1979
to
September 30, 1994*

Class of '97

Sophomores



Row one: Tamika Padgett, Jessica Jones, Yolanda Bannister, Amanda Saunders, Faith Martin, Olivia Witt, Wendy Hanner, Shannon Yates, Erin Brown, Sarah Blair, Stephen Rorer, Brandon Johnson, Chris Parker, Chris Frost, Shannon Wines, Jeremiah Hambrick Second row: Jeremy Nellun, Eric Donald, Steve Short, Amy Overstreet, Alison Overstreet, Rachell Ross, Christinna Hale, Holly Jurkus, Melissa Smith, Tawnya Markham, Chris Wiley, Selena Byers Third Row: Lenard Langhorne, Donald Lowery, James Wright, Dewayne Butler, Charlie hamilton, Tyson Penn, Shandrell Haynes, Paige haynes, Jessica Giggey, Kenneth Lee, Crystal O'Brien, Henna St.Clair, Tim Parker, Rick Wright, Cheyne Preston, Anton Jackson, Tammy Anderson, Amy Taylor, Stephani Hayes, Fourth row:Rebecca Ward, Amanda Ward, Charlene Morehead, Shannon Chadwell, Megan Morris, Chris Orange, Shelly tilman, Sherrel Johnson, Tammy Howel, Dondrell Haynes, Lisa McPerson, Amy Smith, Sharon Mooneyham, Dixie Bowing, Jamie Hopkins, Melinda Byers, Diane Padgett, Denise Kennedy, Nicole Laprad Fifth row:Catherine Saunders, Andy Fyke, Brandon Sutler, Mike Schneider, October Fielder, Clarie Hogan, Dana Lee, Chris St.Joy, Daniel, Amanda Holt, Shawn Castelluccio, Josiah Ferrett, Neal Agee, Jarad Hill, David Heffley, Jawsion Leeper Sixth row: Tamera Hawkins, Christine Taylor, Aaron Noe, Melissa Dooley, Anna Martinez, Jamie Parker, Erika Masters, Fran Hurt Seventh row: Jonathon Guy, Chip Mason-Hill, Barbara Russie, Jeb Robertson, Toby Watson, Andy Waff, Aaron Thompson, Clinton Comer, Charles Moore Sara Abramowitwitz, Jena Ludwig, Hung Tran, Tabatha Robertson, Jill Woldridge, Kelly Roberts, Amy Holdrin, Heather Wealch, Linda Booth Eighth Row: AAron Parker, Jason Giggey, Jason Bryant, William Webber, Todd Arnold, Jamie Gerten, David Morris, Brian Byers, David Willoughby, Jon Manley, Brandon Cocke , Matthew Byers, Billy Kennedy Ninth row: William Yeager, Josh Douglass, Matthew Spencer, Josh Parker, T.J. Goff, Ricky Brown, Aaron Forriester, Jeremy Davis, Charles Dawson Tenth Row: Gerry Staples, Greg Mallory, Donell Bryant, Missy Shephard, Cassie Greene, Christina Lacey, Ted Elser, Karem Hairstone, Monica Fernandez, T.J. Camper, Kevin Carter, Kathy Martin.

Class Acts

The sophomore class officers were not only active in the S.C.A. but also in the classroom.

String 'em up

Jena Ludwig carefully makes a necklace in art class. Jena was the vice president of the sophomore class.



What page

Tammy Anderson looks for the right page in Spanish. Tammy is the sophomore class reporter.



Concentrate

Henna St.Clair works hard in class. Henna was the sophomore class president.

One look back

Charlene Morehead glances behind her to see what's going on. Charlene was the sophomore class secretary.

Laid back

Hung Tran pays attention in Biology. Hung was the sophomore class treasurer.

Sophomore Pride

The sophomore class was known for showing school spirit and support at the pep rallies.



Spirit in the stands

Sophomores Lynda Booth, Tamera Hawkins, Danielle Wilson, Catherine Saunders, Chris Wiley, Selena Byers, Sue Cowlbeck, Tabatha Robertson, Rebecca Ward, Amanda Ward, Christina Hale, Faith Martin, David Heller, Amy Holdrin, Kelly Roberts, Henna St. Clair, Megan Morris, Joe Meadows, Andy Waff, Neal Agee, Jarad Hill, Toby Watson, Chris Orange, Kevin Carter, Matt Byers, Clarie Hogan, Stephanie Papal, and William Webber are on their feet at the pep rally.

Darn Proud

Sophomores Andy Waff and David Heller show their class spirit at the pep rally. Pep rallies gave students time to let go and be themselves.





Sara Abramowitz
Neal Agee
Chad Alderman
Chrissie Amos
Melinda Anderson
Tammy Anderson



John Arnold
Todd Arnold
Yolanda Bannister
Harley Barrineau
Brandon Bennett
Sarah Blair



Nick Blankenship
Linda Booth
Dixie Bowling
Joshua Boyd
Erin Brown
Jason Bryant
Larry Bryant



Sherrod Butler
Brian Byers
Matthew Byers
Melinda Byers
Selena Byers
Heather Cadd
Joann Caldwell



Tim Camper
Bryan Carter
Kevin Carter
Shannon Chadwell
Brandon Cocke
Karen Collier
Clifton Comer



Maynard Conner
Andrea Cooper
Sue Cowbleck
Joy Daniel
Jeremy Davis
Charles Dawson
Steven Donald



Laura Dooley
Melissa Dooley
Joshua Douglass
Theodore Elser
Monica Fernandez
Joshua Fernatt
Benjamin Franklin



Christ Frost
Andrew Fike
Jaime Garten
Amanda Gibson
Jason Giglio
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Hanging Out

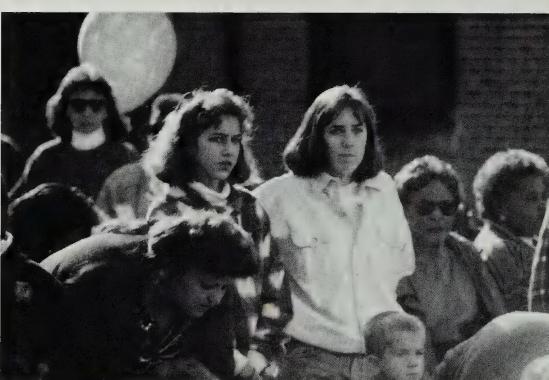
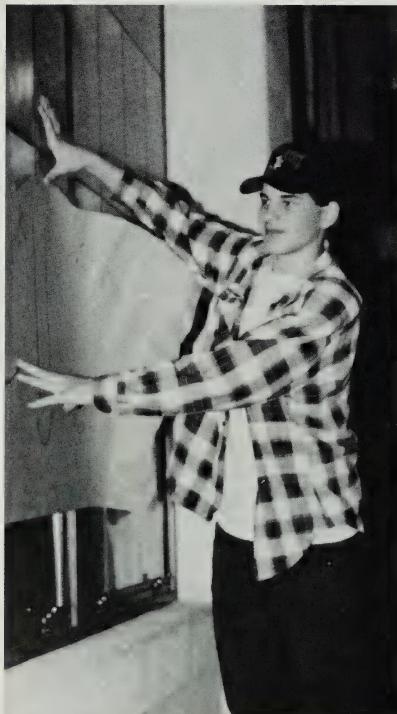
The sophomores have fun whether they are helping out or hanging out.

Hurry up

Shannon Chadwell, and sister Abby, wait patiently for the Christmas parade to begin. Many students were in the parade, but most were there to watch.

I need more tape

Nathan Willis tries to put up a banner at Gate City before the basketball game. Help was plenty, but tape was scarce.



Just standing around

Jarad Hill, David Hefley, and Jason Leeper hang out before class. Open gym before school was a good place to be.





Thad Gordan
Tracey Graham
Cassie Greene
Jonathan Guy
Paul Guy
Kareem Hairstone



Christina Hale
Jeremiah Hambrick
Wendy Hanner
Tamera Hawkins
Dawndrell Haynes
Paige Haynes



Shawndrell Haynes
David Heffley
David Heller
Jared Hill
Claire Hogan
Shanon Hogan
Amy Holdren



Amanda Holt
Jamie Hopkins
Tammy Howell
Fran Hurt
Anton Jackson
Jason Jackson
Shirelle Johnson



Stephanie Johnson
Holly Jurkus
Denise Kennedy
Billy Kennedy
Christy Lacy
Nicole Laprade
Michelle Laughlin



Timmorthy Laughlin
Donald Lowry
Kristy Lowry
Lasharn Lowery
Jena Ludwig
Christopher Mahurn
Greg Mallory



Jon Manley
Tawnya Markham
Faith Martin
Kathy Martin
Anna Martinez
Charles Mason-Hill
Erika Masters



Philip McKinny
Jay McMillan
Lisa McPherson
Joe Meadows
Matthew Mitchell
Sharon Mooneyham
Charles Moore

Caught in the act

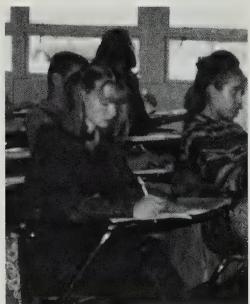
The Sophomores were active in academics as well as extracurricular activities.

What a crowd

Cassie Greene looks lost as she stares into the crowd at the pep rally. Such large crowds made it almost impossible to find who you were looking for.

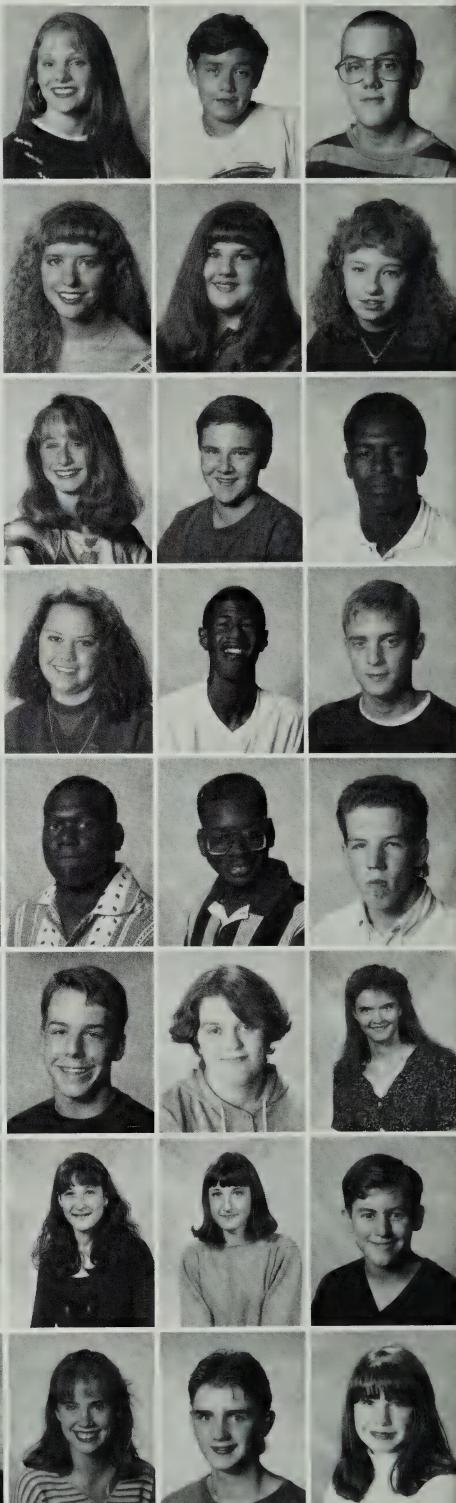
We're done

Heather Cadd and Charlott Welch present their work. Hard work pays off.



"Hi-O the Dairy-O"

Jamie Parker is busy at work. Many students dressed up for Halloween.

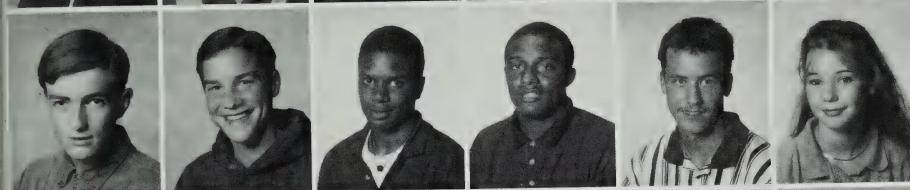




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Jamie Parker
Josh Parker
Tim Parker
Cory Parson
Jason Pershinsky
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Chris Ridgeway
Jason Roberts
Kelly Roberts



Tabitha Robertson
Jermaine Robinson
Stephen Rorer
Rachell Ross
Barbara Rusie
Amanda Saunders
Catherine Saunders
Doug Schier
Mike Schneider



Gynn Scott
Steve Short
David Simpkins
Jason Sims
Amy Sims
Melissa Smith
Matthew Spencer
Charles Spinner
Gerry Staples
Henna St.Clair



Jeremiah Stevens
Brandon Sutler
Pat Sue Tacket
Amy Taylor
Christine Taylor
Ivy Thomas
Aaron Thompson
Shelley Tilman
Hung Tran
Joni Underwood



Andy Waff
Amanda Ward
Rebecca Ward
Toby Watson
William Webber
Emmeline Webber
Charlotte Welch
Jamie Wheat
Scott Whorley
Chris Wiley



David Willoughby
Danielle Wilson
Shannon Wines
Olivia Witt
Jill Woldridge
James Wright
Maxine Wright
Rick Wright
Shannon Yates
William Yeager

C lass of '98 Freshmen



Freshmen Class:

First Row: Kelly Garrett, Robert Carson, Reggie Bryant, Troy Cocke, Josh Grant, Jason Ferguson, Adam Mayhew, Will Cayton, David Long, Amanda Noell, Adriane Biggio, Robin Hartman, Renee Brown, April Overstreet, Tim Saunders, Crystal Johnson; **Second Row:** Steve Wright, Raymond Arrington, Samson Wells, Matthew Dooley, Bobby Perkins, Todd St. Clair, Jonathan Whorley, Charles Wright, Allen Hayes, Jeremy Gardner, Tim Key, John Divers, Jason Rector, Melissa Amos, Wendy Reynolds, Elijah Bailey, Jacob McGlaflin, Angie Orange, Rebecca Salyer; **Third Row:** Jay Overstreet, Robert Unruh, Jimmy Mitchell, Adam Dooley, Patrick Burks, Christy Hensley, Melissa Pantonio, Dienna Nunley, Abbie Rieley, Adam Goshorn, Benjamin Smith, Josh Dick, Zachary White, Samuel Davis, Shelly Phillips, Carrie Webster, Joanie Switzer, Jessica Atkins, Carrie Bowles, Jamie Meador, Brian Brown; **Fourth Row:** Jill Mayhew, Brandi Giles, Teona Callahan, Twanisha Richie, Tiffanny Harris, Christy Cross, Sarah Saunders, Clarice Quint, Andrea McGee, Katelyn Warner, Meagan Johnson, Melissa Harrison, David Hardy, Michael Goff; **Fifth Row:** Melissa Dooley, Cory Peters, Jeremy Agee, Joseph Jackson, Seth Goff, Nick Reed, Jessica Baty, Kathy Butler, April Hale, Amanda Garrison, Tina Mayhew, Christy Moss, Stefani Ferrufino, Jennifer Witt, Zak Bigart, Lisa Yates, Nairh Outhong, Chris Holdren, Chris Andrews; **Sixth Row:** Tiffanny Klementowski, Amber Bass, Stacy Novinger, Julia Mays, Jamie Mitchell, Kevin Burnette, Tracy Dooley, Heather Childress, Virginia Fullen, Corey Buttram, William May, Michael Menzel, Jon Harris, Shelley Boyer, Michael Camden, Jamie Nicholas, Laurie Ann Lambert, Bud Long, Joshua Bowles, Patrick Wade; **Seventh Row:** Emily Roudabush, Lindsey Pugh, Josh McGuire, Nancy Inge, Travis Witt, Danielle Toms, Ellen Shrader, Nina Wilson, Kelly Goff, Robin Campbell, Lisa Mitchell, Amy Harris, Derrick Whorley, Dana Orange, Marissa Stanley; **Eighth Row:** Jonathan Waldron, Jason Maddox, Nathan Dean, Amanda McKinsey, Angela Martin, Leah Raintree, Kelly Smith, Kevin Musgrove, Tonya Johnson, Shameri Alexander, Christina Wright, Amber Williams, Kelly Cutshaw, Kellianne Menzel, Ryan Reynolds, Pamela Wilcher, Shannon Holstein, Philip Davis, Jon Crenshaw, Tommy Heck, Justin Mayhew; **Ninth Row:** Brian Lynch, Matt McCullough, Jeff Creasey, Rick Burks, Marcus Peters, Brian Goff, Matthew Parker, Alyson Higginbotham, Kelly Buchanan, Danielle Spinner, Faith Miller, Yvette Hurt, Sakina Robertson, Ashley Robertson, Thomas Bowyer, Chip Bobbitt, Elizabeth Meadows, Terry Spickard, Jeff Flowers, Steve Dooley, Angie Rizzo; **Tenth Row:** Dewayne Ruff, Tyrone Rixey, Dewayne Woofolk, Cline Lynch, Ryan Overstreet, Ricky Creasy, Amy Elmore, Krissy Dellis, Tammy Abbott, Jeannette Leonard, Jeffrey Skinner, Chris St. Clair, Chris Gardner, Brad Dinwiddie, Todd Cline, Robert Hartman, Shelly Booth, Dana Parker, Courtney Hickey; **Eleventh Row:** Tracy Arthur, Gina Gibson, Bailey Branch, C.J. Johnson, Antwon Thompson, Casandra Moore, Kim Staples, Angie Layne, Takisha Gilmore, Brooke Patterson, Jeanette Lam, Brian Brown, Thomas Hamilton, Cindy Johnson, Gary Dooley, Crystal Dickson, Jennifer Carter; **Twelfth Row:** Samantha Toler, Sara Gilcrest, Mary Jones; **Thirteenth Row:** Brian Spence, Chad Baker, Wendy Ruff, Heidi Kirk, Sherree Ruff, Shawn Preston; **Fourteenth Row:** Michael Waechter, Brian Trent, Travis Hunt, Eric Eller, Larry Holmes, Matthew Etter, David Dinwiddie, and Chris Holdren.

Leaders of the Pack

Even though freshman experience frustration during their first years some choose to get involved early by becoming a class officer

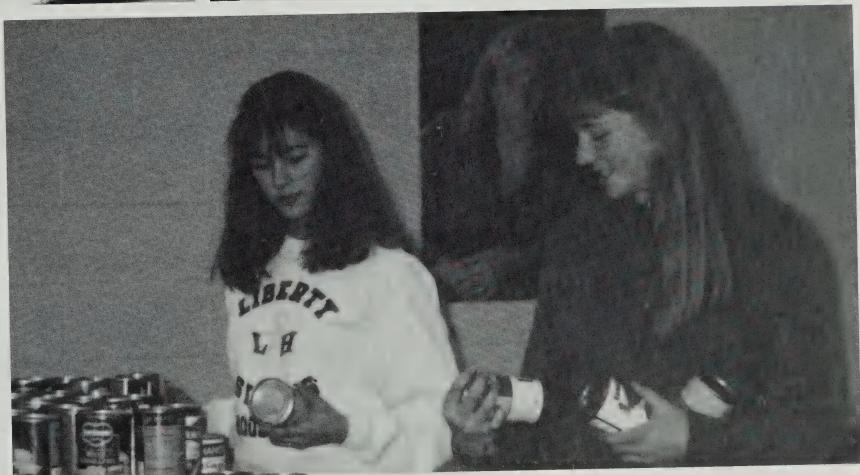
Just do what I say

Ashley Robertson, class president, explains to a classmate what to do next. Ashley was also a member of the J.V. girls' basketball team.



What are you talking about?

Tifanny Harris gives a classmate an unsure look. Tifanny is class treasurer.



Helping those in need

Amanda Noell and Angela Martin help to sort food collected during the Christmas food drive. Amanda is the class secretary and Angela is the reporter.

Aloha!

Krissy Dellis, class vice president, receives a lei at the Miss LHS pageant. Krissy is also a boys' basketball cheerleader and plays softball.

Freshmen Class Officers

President: Ashley Robertson

Vice President: Krissy Dellis

Secretary: Amanda Noell

Treasurer: Tifanny Harris

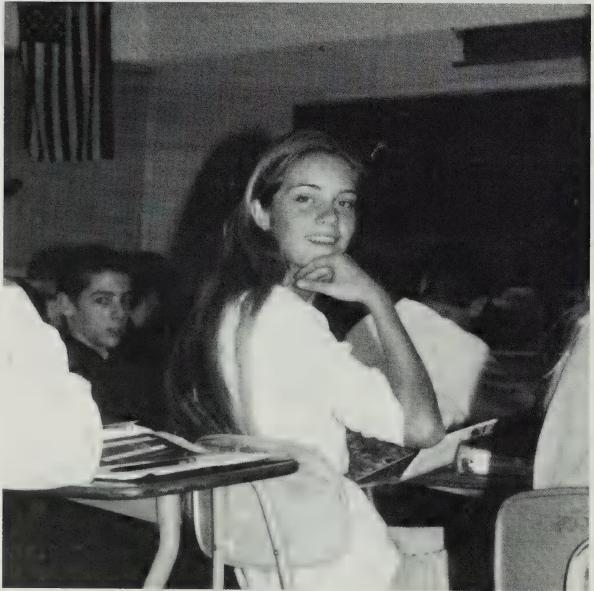
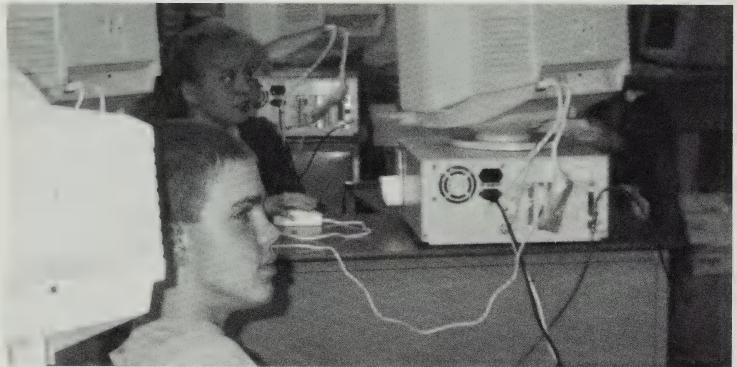
Reporter: Angela Martin

Dedication

As they walked into their classes for the first time, many freshman were in for a big surprise-tougher classes, and more homework made freshman realize what they were in for.

Don't touch my mouse!

Josh Grant and Pam Wilcher work on their mouse skills in Keyboarding/Computer I. It was a required course for all freshman.



Cheese!

Leah Raintree and Jeb Robertson take time out from their work to smile for the camera. Freshmen seem willing to take a break from their busy schedules.





Jessica Adkins
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Chris Alto
Daniel Alvey
Melissa Amos
Robbie Amos
Chris Andrews
Raymond Arrington



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Elijah Bailey
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Amber Bass
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Jeff Creasey
Ricky Creasy



Kelly Cutshaw
Philip Davis
Samuel Davis
Nathan Dean
Krissy Dallis
Josh Dick
Crystal Dickson
Benjamin Dinwiddie
Brad Dinwiddie
John Divers



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Jason Huffman
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Laurie Ann Lambert
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David Long
Philmore Long
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Jason Maddox
Angela Martin
William May
Janelle Mayhew



Justin Mayhew
Keith Mayhew
Tina Mayhew
Julia Mays
Matt McCullough
Andrea McGee
Joshua McGuire
Amanda McKinsey
Jamie Meador
Elizabeth Meadows



Kellianne Menzel
Micheal Menzel
Corrina Miller
Faith Miller
David Mitchell
Jamie Mitchell
Lisa Mitchell
Lisa Moore
Christy Moss
Kevin Musgrave



Depped Up

Pep rallies were new to the freshman, but once they got the hang of what was going on their spirit soared!

Open Wide!

Patrick Burks goofs off before the pep-rally while Christy Hensley looks at something accross the gym. The freshman enjoyed the pep-rally because it gave them a break from a regular school day.



Chillin'!

Brian Lynch, Matthew Parker, Tommy Heck, and Paul Dousette sit on the bleachers and talk before the pep-rally. Many freshman saw the pep-rally as a good time to talk with their friends.

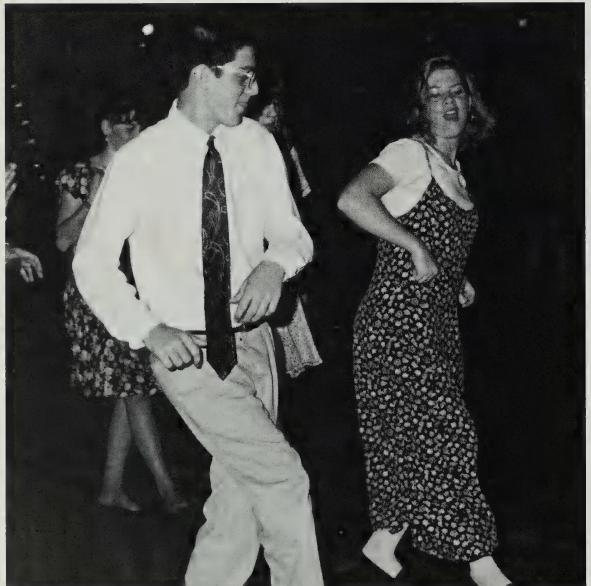
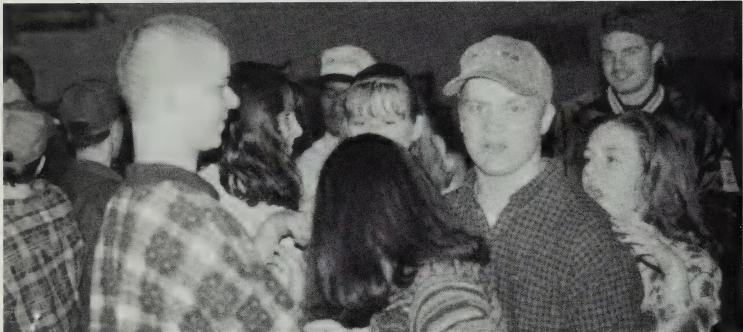


G roovin'

Freshman tend to enjoy dances more than any other class. Since they are unable to drive dances give them something to do after the games on Friday nights.

Choo Choo!

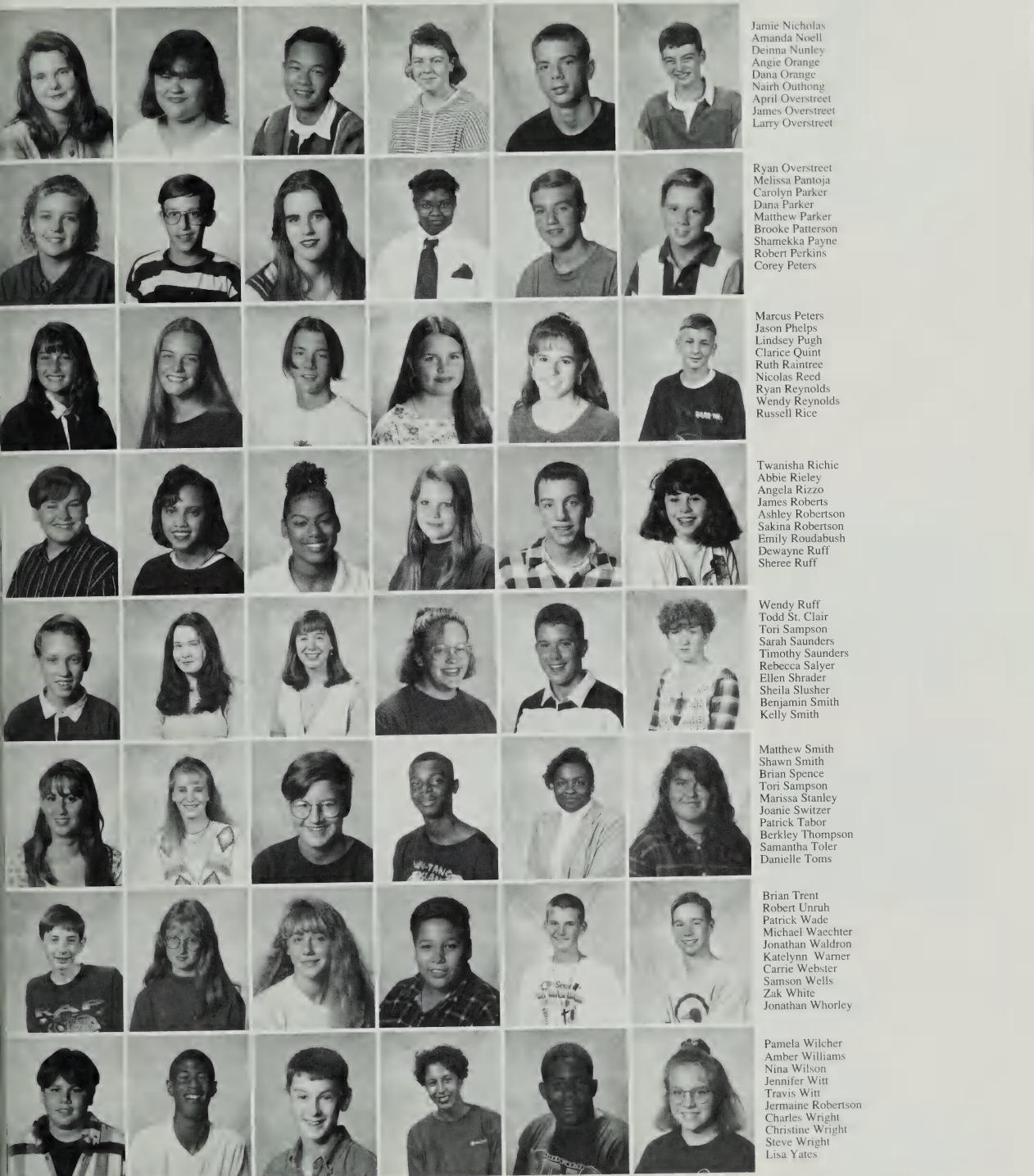
Jeff Creasey, Dixie Bowling, Rick Burks, and Virginia Fullen attempt to form a train at the dance while David McDaniel watches. Trying new things like trains make dances more interesting.



Shake a leg!

Allen Hayes and Heather Childress do the Electric Slide at the Homecoming Dance. Students have enjoyed doing the Electric Slide at dances for many years.





They're Ripe!

The bucket of apples we call teachers was a mixture of new and old teachers. It was great to see the faces of new teachers, but it was comforting to see the familiar ones.

Howdy Ya'll!

Mrs. Hoisington has the Halloween spirit. She dressed up as Mrs. Key from West Virginia. Holidays made the teachers' day less routine.

Glowing!

Mrs. Key laughs while she tries to announce for the pep rally. On March 14th Mrs. Key gave birth to Thomas Andrew Key. She won't be laughing after the sleepless nights.

Peace!

Mrs. Cicatko gets lost in the sixties. Many teachers wore clothing from another era as their Halloween costumes.



Two of a Kind

Mr. Johnson and Mr. Eckes smile big for the camera. Mr. Johnson was the senior guidance counsellor, without him college applications would have been filled out wrong and sent in late.



That Look!

Mr. House keeps a professional look as he is about to crown the homecoming Queen. After the crowning his smile was found. This was Mr. House's last year as principal at Liberty.



Ms. Martha Ahalt- World Studies, VA/US Government
Ms. Anna Baldwin- Aide
Ms. Dana Baldwin- Aide
Mr. Bill Boyer- Technical Drawing I, Construction Technology, Engineering, Drawing II
Mr. Steve Boyer- Administrator



Ms. Denise Cheek-Thompson- Journalism II, Sociology, Guidance
Ms. Judy Cicatko- English 11A, 11AS, 12A
Ms. Lori Crouch- Aide
Mr. Todd Dorsey- VA/US Government, AP Government, Strength and Conditioning
Mr. Terry Finch- World Studies, American Studies, Economics



Ms. Julie Frazier- Language Studies, Math, Adaptive P.E., Social Skills, Science
Ms. Laura Frey- Art I, Art II
Ms. Deborah Gillespie- Keyboarding/ Computer I
Mr. David Grant- MFG Technology, Construction Technology
Ms. Pam Hanks- Computer II, Computer III



Ms. Wanda Hensley- Cafeteria
Mr. Augustin Hermosa- Spanish I, III, IV
Ms. Lisa Hodges- Spanish II, III
Ms. Corinne Hoisington- Computer II, Computer IV
Mr. Dewitt House- Administrator



Ms. Lois Jennings- Art I, II, III
Ms. Donna Jones- Cafeteria
Ms. Jami Key- Biology I, II
Ms. Betsy Klein- Informal Geometry, Advanced Algebra/Trigonometry, Algebra II/Trigonometry
Mr. Bob Lee- Physics I, Chemistry I, II



Ms. Julie Martin- French I, II, III
Ms. Patsy Martin- English 9A, Drama
Mr. Steve Mayberry- English 11A, American Studies
Ms. Shirley McCabe- Guidance
Ms. Barbara Mitchell- Family Management, Life Management I, II,

Ms. Sue Mitchell- Aide
Ms. Melissa Morton- Cafeteria
Ms. Tonya Murphy- Aide
Ms. Sharon Nelms- Cafeteria
Ms. Barbara Norton- Librarian



Ms. Bernice Parker- Cafeteria
Ms. Barbara Peterson- Math, English,
Science, Social Studies
Ms. Carla Ponn- Physical Education 9
Mr. Greg Rappaport- German I, II, III, IV
Ms. Donna Ratliff- Algebra I, College
Algebra, AP Calculus I, II



Mr. Stephen Reedy- Administrator
Ms. Karen Saunders- English 10A,
English 10AS
Ms. Kim Scharnus- Keyboarding/
Computer I
Ms. Emma Sharpe- Cafeteria
Ms. Katherine Spinner- Cafeteria



Mr. Jeff Steele- Applied Math, Algebra I
Ms. Leesa Stith- English Preparation 9,
10, 11, Math, Science, Social Studies
Ms. Sheila Turpin- Physical Education 10
Ms. Karen Waldron- Cafeteria
Ms. Robin Waldron- VA/US History AS,
World Studies



Ms. Linda Welch- Cafeteria
Ms. Judy Wolcott- Guidance
Ms. Kathy Wray- Informal Geometry
Ms. Delores Wright- Aide
Ms. Virginia Wright- Cafeteria



Ms. Joyce Witt- Accounting I, II,
Keyboarding/Computer I
Ms. Maria Hatmaker- English 9A,
English 9AS



In The Spotlight

Mrs. Sharp smiles while she cooks the fries for lunch.
The cafeteria staff worked hard to make sure lunch
was hot and on time.

For Example!

The teachers were the people who set examples for the students. The students learned that you laugh when you are happy, cry when you are sad, and serious when the teachers want you to be!



Young Man!

Mrs. Waldron grabs Johnny Cash by the ear. Many teachers found it hard to keep the student's attention while talking to them.



How Now Brown Cow!

Mr. Rappaport gets into the spirit of Halloween. He switched places with his cow, Cristoff. Many new teachers got involved in holiday activities.



Which way does it go?

Mr. Columbus studies the tape to figure out which way it goes. Janitors are indispensable around a school.



Got it!

Mrs. Scharnus holds the ball tightly after the game. Many teachers supported students during after school activities.

Wall Flowers

Mr. Craig and Mr. Kelso watch the Pep Rally with a smile. Many teachers enjoyed the Pep Rallies as much as the students.



Academic...

A Step Ahead

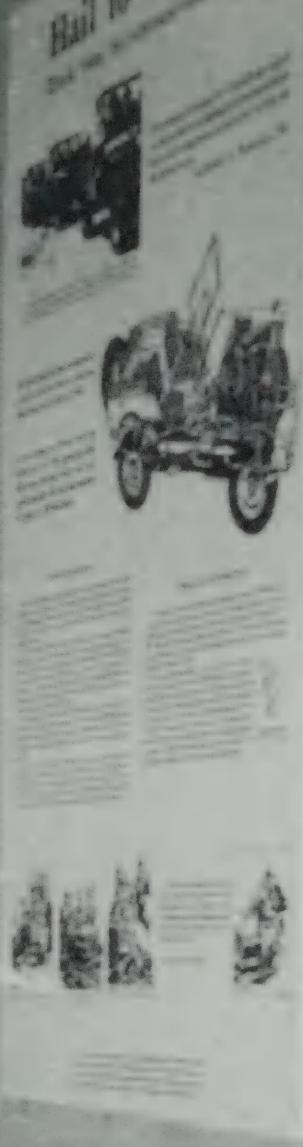
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The Beverly Hillbillies

Doug Overstreet , Carla Hendricks, and Ryan Stevens look as if they are having a good time driving an old World War II jeep at the George Marshall Museum and Library. This goes to prove that you can have fun and learn at the same time.







Time Change

Students Benefit From 90 Minute Periods

Taking notes, doing labs, designing spreads and layouts, and writing computer programs was what block scheduling was all about. Instead of having seven classes lasting 45 minutes long for a year, students had four classes lasting 90 minutes long for a semester.

Block scheduling definitely had its advantages. There was more time for hands on experience and less time lost to preparations. Computer Science students had more time on the computer. Band and choir students had more practice time.

Another advantage of block scheduling was that it allowed for advisor/advisee. Advisor/advisee was a personal guidance program. Students were picked randomly according to their grade and put into a small group (less than 20) with a teacher or "advisor". The advisor made sure the students knew when class activities are.

Student G. P. A.'s improved since block scheduling began. This could be because students had less classes to worry about. Attendance also improved, whereas student discipline problems decreased.

The main problem is that the average adult attention span is not 90 minutes. This meant teachers had to do more planning and allow for more variety in the classroom.

Teachers used different methods to break the monotony of class. Mrs. Key allowed a five minute break in the middle of her Biology classes.

Overall Block Scheduling was a success. Once students adjusted, it was hard to imagine having only 45 minute classes.

Regan Warner



How about this size?

Jamie McKinney, Monica Byers, Missy Murphrey, Regan Warner, Kristi Brown, Jennifer Hefley, Crystal Daniels and Bryan Overstreet decide on ad sizes for the yearbook. Having longer classes meant more time to make decisions and do layouts.



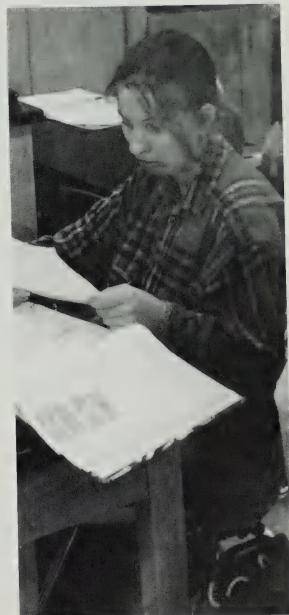
Matt Burke seems glad to be out of school. Students look forward to afternoons to see their friends. If someone wasn't in your class, you hardly ever saw them in school.

What is this?

Mike Ayers peers at a specimen in Biology class. Block Scheduling meant labs could be planned and data recorded all in one class period.

Oh my gosh!

Christina Fuellgraf seems shocked at her grade. Finishing a class at the end of a semester made some classes harder.



'I'm open!'

Right to left: Greg Mallory, Josh Fernault, Jason Rice, Neil Roop, Raymond Arrington, and Mike Camden play basketball during gym. Block scheduling meant less time was lost to dressing out and more time was left for participating.



Say cheese!

Melissa Dooley gets her picture taken by Mr. Hubbard. Picture day was very complicated because some students didn't have English until second semester.



CASE OF THE SMARTS

THE WHO'S WHO OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Some things just naturally attract a crowd. Award ceremonies highlight and recognize the academic accomplishments of students who take school and community work seriously. They are nights full of fancy dressing, laughter, and, naturally, awards.

The auditorium was packed full of inductees, parents, and escorts the night of the National Honor Society awards (NHS). Speeches by NHS officers commented on the responsibilities and importance of the club.

It wasn't all serious, however. A touch of comedy was added as some of the inductees ran up on stage leaving their escorts behind. "Ouch!", yelled Brian Clark as Denise Hayes accidentally stuck him while pinning on his flower. All of the inductees received flowers, lit candles, and then recited their pledges. The ceremony ended when the inductees blew out their candles.

"The National Honor Society is one of the most prestigious organizations offered at Liberty", commented Cathy Wray, NHS sponsor. "It doesn't only focus on school work, but community services as well."

NHS projects included the Bloodmobile, Thanksgiving can food drive, Avenel, and YMCA thrift shop. These activities gave NHS members more opportunities to serve their community.

The academic letter and bar ceremony also honored academic excellence. A minimum of a 3.5 grade average was required to be recognized. "A 3.5 GPA is very hard to maintain", said Mrs. Betsy Klein, Chairman of Committee. After the awards presentation, a reception was held in the band room. Some had even said that getting a piece of the "L" cake made all of their hard work worth while.

BRYAN OVERSTREET

NHS

First Row- Tonya McEnheimer, Kevin Slocum, Holly Venhorst. Second Row- Merideth Reaves, Carson Overstreet, Sonya Rice, Stephanie Church, Denise Hayes, Desirae Goff, Barbara Divers, Jennifer Parker, Anna Bramlett. Third Row- Shannon Walker, W.T. Swain, Kelly Ludwig, Dwayne Barnett, James Meyer, Anna Goshorn, Kristine Price, Mandy Parker, Bryan Sheppard, Heather Dooley, Kathy Wilson. Fourth Row- Jennifer Hefley, Angela Updike, Susan Dick, Kim Delis, Kellea Whorley, Sarah Landis, Emily Rowe, Jamie Long, Kara Young, Tina Dodd, Heather Kirk, Nikki Price. Fifth Row- Brian Clark, Melissa Pankey, LaShonna Wright, Stephen Shrader, Carter Mason, Jason Owens, Wayne Swain, Crystal Daniels, Ryan Stevens, Shannon Jurkus, Almeida Wright, Doug Overstreet, Geraldine Key, Curt Martin, Tobi Markham, Ricky Dooley, Lisa Ashworth, David Hylton.



PIECE OF CAKE!

Emily Allen has her cake and eats it too. Emily received an academic award and attended the reception where she takes a bite out of the "L" cake.

CHEEESE!

Heather Dooley and Jennifer Parker smile for the camera. Laughing and being happy seemed to be the going trend for new NHS members.



GROWING SMARTER!

Denise Hayes teaches Keaton Hanks about the importance of school. Receiving an academic letter encourages Denise to pursue her dreams as a teacher.



COME ON DOWN!

Mike Pinion is the next recipient of an academic award. Since this was Mike's second year awarded, he received a certificate and a gold bar instead of a letter. Many students received academic bars.

HOW SWEET IT IS!

Lisa Ashworth shows off her academic letter to the crowd. Lisa as well as many other award recipients were proud of their accomplishments.



CANDLE LIGHT DELIGHT!

Nakki Price and Kathy Wilson say their pledge for their NHS induction. Nakki and Kathy worked very hard to become members of this honorary club.



WHAT A SILLY THOUGHT!

Joel Morgan adds comedy to the reception by making silly faces. The reception was the perfect time to let it all out and have fun while easing pressures of school work.



wesOME Competitors

Problem solving takes a interesting twist

"We have to make that go through that?"

"Yea, and we can only use this thing to do it."

Odyssey of the Mind (O.M.), consisted of four different teams-Vaudeville, Scientific Safari, Time Travel, and The Mail Must Go Through. Liberty only had two teams competing, Vaudeville and Scientific Safari.

The O.M. teams practiced spontaneous problem solving for competitions. Each team had certain qualifications they had to meet for the competition at Franklin County High School. The Vaudeville team had to wear street clothes during their performance and all their props had to fit into two suitcases. The Time Travel team had to build a time machine to transport them from the past, to the present, to the future and then back to the past. The Scientific Safari team had to build a vehicle that would carry a team member and pick up an animal and save it from an animal poacher. The Mail Must Go Through team had to get mail to a different destination without touching it. Teams had to solve these seemingly impossible problems by using creativity and man hours.

"We practiced every week for about two hours and as the competition got closer we also practiced on Saturdays for about three hours," said Amanda Ward, who was on the Vaudeville team which placed third in the region.

"It takes a lot of hard work and dedication, but it's fun," said Kate Warner who was also on the Vaudeville team. "You have to experience O.M. to really understand it," she said.

The Scientific Safari team also placed third in the region.

Members of the Vaudeville team were Amanda Ward, Rebecca Ward, Kate Warner, Nikki Reynolds, Joy Daniels, Jennifer St. Clair, and Fran Hurt. The Scientific Safari team consisted of Andraya McGee, Chris Alto, Jason Leeper, Ted Elser, and Emmy Weber.

Crystal Daniels

Don't move

(Opposite Page) Jennifer St.Clair puts lipstick on Rebecca Ward. The Vaudeville team spends a lot of time practicing living in the 1920's.



Say cheese

Andraya McGee smiles for the camera. Sometimes students needed a minute to relax before and after competing.



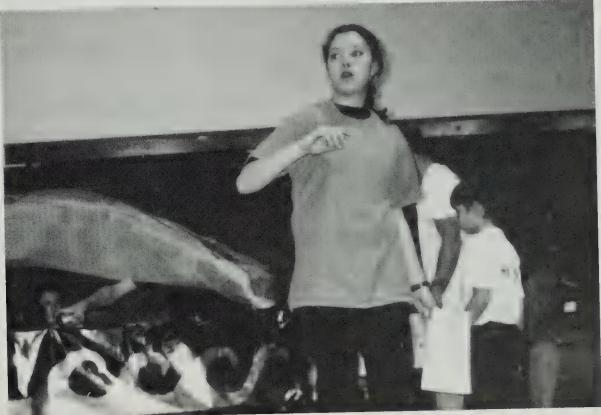
We have to put this over there

Jason Leeper and Andraya McGee get last minute props together for their performance. Team work was essential.



Are we going to use this?

Fran Hurt looks at the props for their performance. The use of props was limited.



Are my lines right?

Rebecca Ward recites her lines before performing in front of the judges. Amanda Ward, Joy Daniel, Nikki Reynolds, and Fran Hurt apply some last minute make-up.

What did you say?

Emmy Webber looks confused at the Regional Competition. Things can become very hectic when the contestants start getting nervous.



romising to Dunk SADD Drug

SADD and SODA activities help

Students Against Doing Drugs (SADD), headed by Corinne Hoisington, completed another successful year in the prevention of alcohol and drug use. SADD members had to recite a pledge to stay drug and alcohol free for the remainder of the school year.

Grim Reaper Day, a SADD tradition held near Halloween, kicked off SADD activities. It allowed students to dress in black to mourn the victims of alcohol and drug related accidents. At a designated time of death, the Grim Reaper entered a classroom and took a life of a SADD member. Tombstones were placed on the lockers of the dead and their faces were painted white to create the illusion that someone close to you can die in an alcohol related accident. The students' obituaries were read and they were not allowed to speak for the remainder of the day.

One of the most affective alcohol prevention programs that SADD took part in was the signing of the Prom Promise. Thanks to the help of Nationwide Insurance, the signing was successful. With over 80% participation, Mr. House agreed to be dunked in a dunking booth on April 25, at 3 balls for a dollar.

SADD participated in Dare Day, held at Liberty Lake Park for elementary students, as well as assemblies featuring the Bedford County drug dogs and guest speakers.

Bryan Overstreet

Filled to the rim with GRIM!

Teona Callaham gets the ax from the Grim Reaper played by James Meyer. Teona was a very active member of SADD and James was an Honor Council Member who helped with the Prom Promise signing.



SADD

Front Row - Susan Brown, Timmy Gill, Lauren Hobson, Holly Venhorst, Stephanie Papalli, Tabatha Welcher, Crystal Rettinghaus, Bryan Overstreet, Kim Dellis, Kathy Stevens, Alison Witt, and Angela Hatcher. Second row - Amy Smith, Jaime Parker, Amanda Ward, Rebecca Ward, Christina Hale, Sonya Richbourg, Kevin Slocum, David Layne, Olivia Witt, Denis Hayes, Abby Riley, Adrienne Biggio, and Amanda Noel. Third Row - Amanda Pelfrey, Shelly Boyer, Ellen Shrader, Kelly Witt, Jennifer Hefley, Barbara Divers, David Hylton, Faith Martin, Shannon Chadwell, and Megan Morris. Fourth row - Dorothy Brown, Summer Salyer, Krissy Dellis, Stacey Holdren, Meredith Reaves, Denise Kennedy, Nikki Reynolds, Pam Welcher, Joel Morgan, Carla Meador, Melissa Pankey, Nick Clark, Henna St.Clair, Shelly Tillman, Holly Jurkus, Jason Owens, Emmy Webber, Amy Taylor, Tammy Anderson, and Mrs. Hoisington. Back row - Danielle Spinner, Yvette Hurt, Brandon Sutler, Clarice Quint, Micheal Tillman, James Meyer, Chris Small, Teona Callaham, Heather Arnold, Justin Laughlin, Jaime McKinney, Amy Taylor, Katherine McMillan, Hung Tron, Racheal Ross, and Booby Phillips.

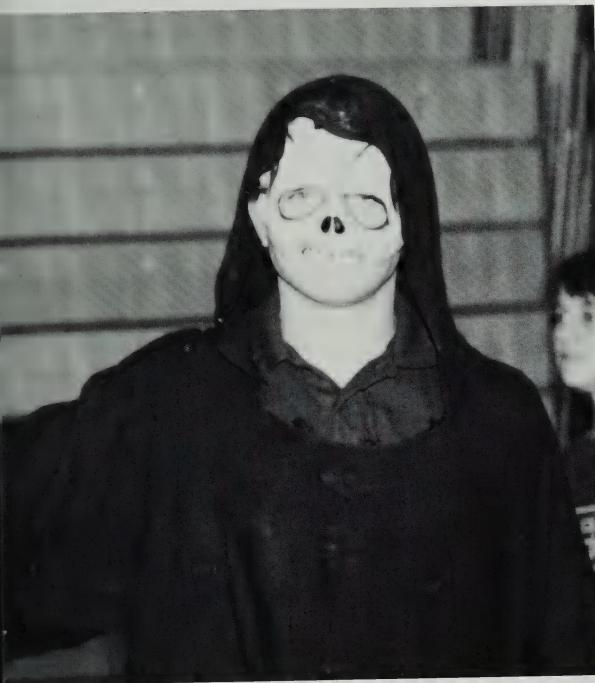
D.A.R.E. to Flashback??

The Big Island sixth grade graduating D.A.R.E. class:

Front row - Eric Arrington, Dorothy Paxton, Brandon Burks, Angie Wilson, Ryan Jackson, Officer Stanley, Tanya Branch, Katie Haggerman, and Bryan Overstreet. Second row - Shannon Byers, Greg Harris, James Sexton, April Davis, Suzanne Aldrich, Desirae Goff, Jessica Tolley, Crystal Daniels, Patt Karnes, Troy Wines, and Jeremy Jackson. Back row - Tammy Goff, Christy Hogan, Micheal Craig, and Almeda Wright.

Dogs in Club SODA.... What??

prevent students from using drugs



If someone had asked you if you wanted some club SODA, they probably weren't referring to Students Organized for Developing Attitudes.

SODA members had to apply as a junior and be approved by Mr. Rappaport, the new sponsor. After being selected, members were required to sweat it out during lengthy summer training sessions at Lynchburg College. To finalize the process, SODA members had to sign a pledge to remain drug and alcohol free while in the club.

What was SODA? SODA was an organization designed to help elementary students learn how to cope with adolescence. Topics discussed included: coping with peer pressure, dealing with physical and emotional changes, and how to respond to the increasing presence of drugs and alcohol.

In order to accomplish SODA's goals, students car pooled to Bedford Elementary School on Wednesdays. Arriving at the school was not only a relief from class, but relief from a crammed car as well.

Without SODA, students would not have had the opportunity to discuss the problems of adolescence with older adolescents.

Bryan Overstreet



I'm Listening!

Alison Witt listens to her SODA group's conversation. Alison enjoyed working with her students and is pursuing a career in teaching.

Waiting Patiently!

Nick Clark waits for his SODA students to finish their assignments. Nick was one of the few juniors enrolled in the program and looks forward to doing it again.





ur Spirit Soars

in the school, community and state

"S.C.A. I love it... I love it... I love it", shouted enthusiastic members. Some members started to fulfill their duties before classes even began. Ms. Waldron, the S.C.A. sponsor, had the officers and some representatives hard at work planning in August. They thumbed through magazines and brainstormed for theme ideas and ways to volunteer their time.

The S.C.A. was very active when it came time to help the needy. Every family would like to enjoy a nice Thanksgiving dinner so the S.C.A. joined hands with the National Honor Society to provide Bedford families with turkeys and canned foods. They also sponsored their annual Mock Rock. Students watched "stars" perform such as Sonny and Cher, ZZ Top, and The Village People. Admission was canned food which was boxed and delivered to over twenty families.

Funkadelic '95, the spring charity dance, raised money for the American Cancer Society and the Heather Dooley Scholarship Fund. A guy and girl were nominated to represent each class. They had a week to raise money and the class which raised the most won the spirit stick. The class representatives raised \$694 which exceeded their goal by \$294. The competition was tight but the juniors were the proud owners of the spirit stick.

The S.C.A. contributed to the school by scrapping the cafeteria patio so it could be repainted, holding trash pick-ups along the highway and sprucing up the courtyards in the spring.

The S.C.A.'s largest fundraiser was the Miss LHS pageant. The money was placed in a general fund to cover expenses like Convention, summer camp, treats for teachers, and prizes for contests.

Another way the S.C.A. raised money was their used prom dress sale. This activity provided students the chance to find a dress at a bargain price. The sale workers had a blast trying on the different styles of dresses.

The Virginia S.C.A. Convention was a weekend of learning and meeting new people. Jennifer Parker, Amanda Ward, and Rebecca Ward attended. Rebecca Ward was nominated Region 6 representative for the 1995-1996 school year. Rebecca will be representing 20 schools in Southside Virginia.

On May 10, elections were held and new officers were elected as previous ones stepped down or assumed new responsibilities.

Kristi Brown

Stylin'

Ryan Stevens and Charlene Morehead show off their "funky" outfits at the charity dance. Admission to the dance was less if you dressed up.

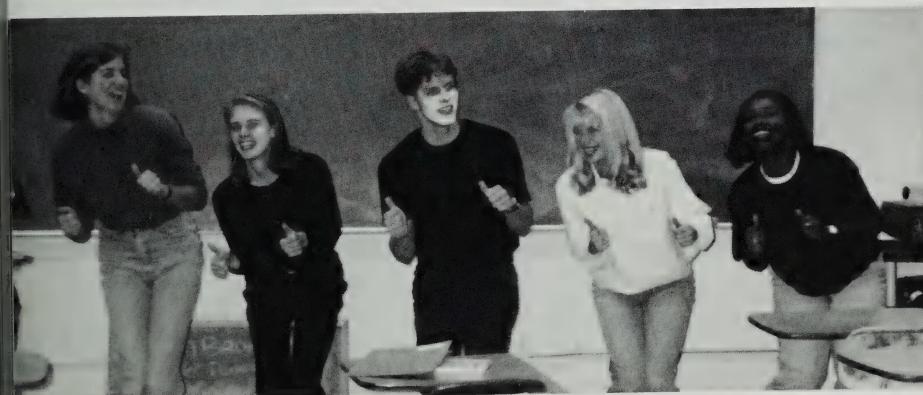


Off to feed the hungry

Bryan Overstreet takes boxes of non-perishable food to his car. The food was distributed throughout Bedford to help needy families.

See what Santa brought me

Kevin Slocum, Chris Gardener, W.T. Swain and Melissa Pankey show off the toys that were collected at Christmas. These toys made some young tots a bit happier this holiday season.



The Women Rule

Melissa Pankey, President; Kristi Brown, Vice President; Jennifer Parker, Historian; Lauren Hobson, Secretary; Rebecca Ward, Treasurer; and Amanda Ward, Reporter gather at Applebee's for lunch. Not only did the officers work together in school they were friends outside of school.

Just singing in the rain

Melissa Pankey, Barbara Divers, Jason Owens, Kellea Whorley and Felicia Miller participate in an energizer to keep the spirit moving. Singing in the rain, Grey Squirrel and The Little Green Frog are some of their favorites. Energizers were a way to break the monotony of a meeting.

S.C.A.

Front row: Ms. Waldron, Lauren Hobson, Jennifer Parker, Melissa Pankey, Kristi Brown, Amanda Ward, Rebecca Ward, Holly Venhorst, W.T. Swain, Holly Venhorst, W.T. Swain.
Middle Row: Barbara Divers, Carson Overstreet, Charlene Morehead, Tammy Anderson, Sarah Stallard, Anna Bramlett, Chris Gardner, Krissy Dellis. Third row: Angie Martin, Amanda Noell, Sandy Hurt, Jennifer Hefley, Henna St. Clair, Greta Davis, Kellea Whorley, Shannon Jurkus, Felicia Miller, William Preston, Ashley Robertson, Hung Tran. Back row: Kevin Slocum, Almeda Wright, Bryan Overstreet, Bryan Shephard and Brian Clark.





ICTURE THIS

THE SENTINEL, HERITAGE, AND COLLAGE STAFFS STRIVE TO MEET THEIR DEADLINES

Extra! Extra! Read all about it. The Sentinel, Heritage, and Collage allowed future journalists, artists, and writers to express their talents. They also allowed students to experience first hand how to really put together a publication. The main purposes of these classes and clubs was to inform, educate, and most importantly, entertain those who produce and read the material.

"Meeting deadlines is the most important factor for producing any kind of publication", agrees Ms. Cheek and Mr. Coughlin, publication instructors. For yearbook and newspaper, students had to work hard both during and after school to take photos, sell ads, and finish layouts in order to meet their deadlines.

Selling ads for the Sentinel, Heritage, and Collage was hard work. The Collage held contests offering cash rewards for art, fiction, and poetry in order to get submissions in on time for their deadlines. Preparation for selling ads was done in class, however the real hard work started after 3:00 P.M. Students ventured out to local businesses with "Ad Sales Kits" in hand along with a positive attitude and a smile. Convincing some local businesses to buy ads was definitely a well deserved "A" for students in both classes.

The Collage also worked hard on submitting art for color publication. Fund raisers and finding sponsors were some things that the Collage worked hard on to raise money for the magazine.

A lot of hard work and dedication is required from the Sentinel, Heritage, and Collage staffs. And no matter what the outcome may be, these students have gained hands on experience of how publications are really put together.

Bryan Overstreet



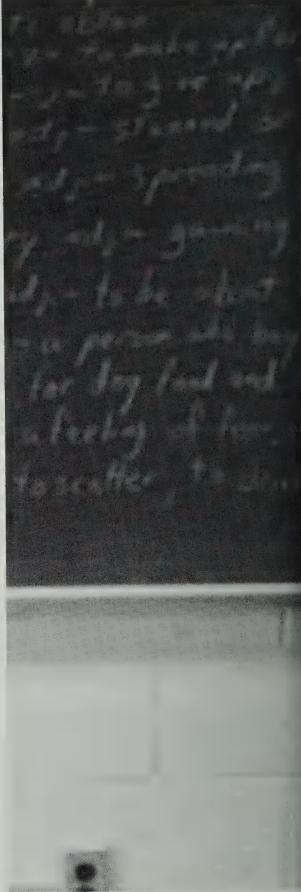
Computer Whiz!

Bobby Van Horn uses the computer to work on layouts for a Sentinel deadline. Being a part of the newspaper staff required students to be computer literate as well as a fast typer.



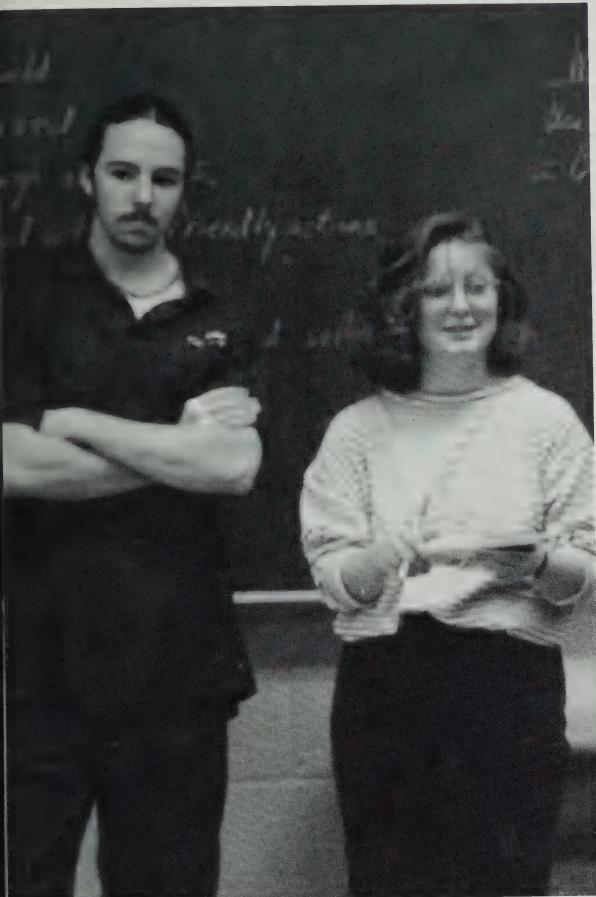
HAVE YOU BEEN MUGGED?

Jennifer Hefley proofs mug shots of underclassmen to place in the yearbook. Matching the names with the faces was a difficult task for the yearbook students. Jennifer was also a photographer for the yearbook.



JUSTA WORKIN' HARD!

Kristi Brown uses her expertise of journalism to fit pictures in the yearbook. This was an easy task for Kristi due to her journalism experience.



LISTEN UP EVERYBODY!

Robby Robertson and Denise Hayes take charge at the first Collage meeting. Being elected Editors-in-Cheif were something that they were proud of. Club elections were a tradition on the first club days.



HERITAGE

Front row - Regan Warner, Greta Davis, Crystal Daniels, Monica Byers, Missy Murphy, and Russell Smith. Second row - Jamie McKinney, Kristi Brown, Jennifer Hefley, Mary Carter Mason, and Bryan Overstreet. (Not pictured Ted Elser)



COLLAGE

First row - Bryan Overstreet, Melissa Pankey, Sarah Landis, Denise Hayes, Robby Robertson, Kevin Slocum, Jeff Halluer. Second row - Fran Hurt, Jena Ludwig, Nicole Pietras, Meagan Johnson, Amanda Ward, Rebecca Ward. Third row - Christina Hale, Kathy Stevens, Jennifer Creasy, Alison Witt, Crystal Rettinhaus, Kelly Ludwig, Stephanie Church, Christy Moss, Kate Warner. Fourth row - Joy Daniels, Kelly Smith, Stephani Ferrufino, Angela Martin, Leah Raintree, Kim Dellis, Jeanette Kenny, Melissa Kennedy, Alyson Higginbottom, Melissa Harrison.



DO YOU COPY?

Mandy Lopez writes her version of the story for the school newspaper. Mandy was not only active in producing the Sentinel, but selling it as well. Newspapers were sold during lunch for only 25 cents.

Sentinel

Front row - Dana Lee, Daniel Wilson, Wendy Hammer, Heather Arnold, Mandy Lopez. Second row - Dana Barber, Shannon Greer, Megan Morris, Sonya Richbourg, Sarah Stallard, Leanne Dudy, Crystal Franklin. Third row - Faith Martin, Tanya Taskey, Monica Fernandez, Shaunalee Bailey, Henna St.Clair, Kelly Ludwig, Christina Hale, Tamara Hawkins, Christina Fullgraf, Athena Krantz, Bobby Vanhorne, Yolanda Wilson, Adam Babb, Latesha Bryant. Back row - Kendra Monroe, Kathy Martin, Rebecca Ward, Mandy Bumgartner, Jennifer Creasy, Olivia Witt.





ights, Camera, Action?

Now take out the light, the camera.....

The glare of the bright lights, the silence as the mood takes hold, the hush as anticipation seizes the crowd, the feelings washing through you as emotions evoke feelings that you rarely experience. That was what drove these young people to act out famous scenes from comedies, tragedies and love stories. These people dedicated their free time to studying the great and not so great playwrights. What they do is not what you might expect, these blooming actors only perform certain parts of the plays. It is very difficult to set the mood without the rest of the play to prepare them, these actors prepare themselves in advance and they have to set the mood for the crowd. What do the actors get out of all of this? Colleges often like to see Forensics on applications. Forensics training basically cures them of stage fright, it also teaches them strength and poise.

Poetry may have been considered by many to be the "lost language", but these young women picked it up and blew off the dust. Some were not used to the amount of soul that can be put onto a piece of paper. It surprised them when they discovered the power of expression that was in poetry when it came from the heart. Although considered to be "dead" by some, others believe that it will never die. 'I don't really believe that poetry is dead, I think that it mainly exists in today's music,' stated sponsor Mrs. Wingfield. For these eight young adventurers the "language of love" beckoned them to explore their locked up emotions, this was done while enjoying coffee and other items supplied by the gracious Mrs. Wingfield during their last meetings.

Ted Elser

Alas poor Yorick, I knew him well Horatio..

Jeanette Kenny and Emmy Weber rehearse to set the parts down tight.



Poets Society

Back Row: left to right: Amy McKinney, Shannon Linton, Amanda Key, Kathy Nilson, and Lora Dudley. Front Row: Jackie Overstreet, Dorothy Brown, Jamie Nicholas, and Robin Campbell.



Forensics Team

Meagen Johnson, Emmy Weber, and Jeanette Kenny. (Not pictured: Sonya Richbourg)

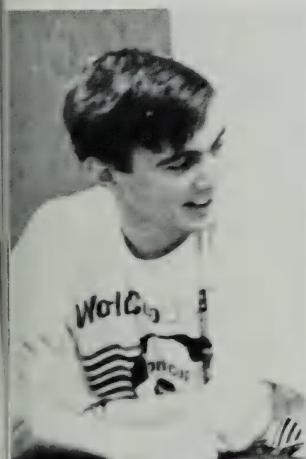


The Future's so Bright...

Governor's School promises students a brighter future

team work

Amy Bridges and Jennifer St. Clair have some fun while pairing up at the computer. Being such a small group helped these students form close relationships with one another.



What's going on?

Chris Robey takes a break during his morning. The accelerated classes help prepare students for college.



Whiz kid!

Clinton Stevens concentrates on his computer work. This was Clinton's first year at the governor's school.



Working Overtime

Almeda Wright studies between classes. Students had to put in extra hours if they wanted to make the grades.

If you ever wondered what happened to some of the people who have always been in your classes, maybe they were at the Central Virginia Governor's School for Math and Science. The governors school was for students gifted in those areas. Each day the students took their morning classes in Lynchburg and then returned for afternoon classes. The classes were challenging as was trying to keep up with what was happening at Liberty.

Felicia Miller, a junior and first year Governor's school student, said that she found it to be a big change of pace from the normal high school curriculum and that it took some getting used to at first. "I almost had a heart attack the first time I got a "C" on a graded paper."

Adrian Lanning, a junior said that it "takes some getting used to," but he enjoyed the more challenging curriculum.

"To make it in governors school you have to be pretty serious about school and make it a real priority," stated Clinton Stevens.

So how does one go about getting in this school? Well it's not easy, only a select number of students per high school are chosen each year. After a rigorous application process only a select few were accepted.

Accepting the challenge of the governor's school was one of many steps made toward a brighter future.

Lora Campbell

Govenor's school students

Emily Allen	Greg King
Amy Bridges	Clinton Stevens
Adrian Lanning	Jennifer St. Clair
Chris Robey	Felicia Miller
Almeda Wright	

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Two Thumbs Up

Quick fingers and aggressive attitudes break the ties at ACE competitions

It may have been cold that February morning, but the ACE team was hot at the meet in Buckingham! Despite arriving an hour late from being lost on a bus without a heater, the team overcame what they thought was the impossible. They placed fifth, even after being penalized a match, defeating Nelson County, Appomattox, and Rustburg, each in 2 to 1 round tie breakers.

Academic competitions consisted of matches each containing three rounds. The first, called "60 Seconds", gave each team a set of categories to choose from. The team then had to answer as many questions as possible within a minute. "Toss Up", the second round, gave each team the chance to "buzz in" on the toss up question. The fastest team with the correct answer got the chance to answer two bonus questions. The third and final round, "Up For Grabs", really put thumb speed to the test. It was a round based on quickness, giving teams that were behind a chance to catch up.

The ACE team also competed on April 8. Despite having one less competitor, the team placed 4.

Even though they were not recognized with awards or trophies, they always returned home with a constant reminder of the events, a sore thumb.

Bryan Overstreet

Current Events Queen!

Kristine Price buzzes in to answer a question at an ACE practice. Kristine was nicknamed the "Queen of Current Events" by her ACE partners.

ACE

Row one - Kristine Price, Christopher Robey, Dwayne Barnette, and Jennifer St. Clair.
(Not pictured: Bryan Overstreet and Almeda Wright)



Math Rally Team

Front row - Brian Long, Alison Witt, and La'Shonna Wright. The team placed third in the competition that consisted of math and physics problems.



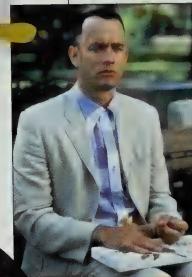
I knew that!

Alison Witt and La'Shonna Wright quiz each other before the Math Rally competition. Alison and La'Shonna were both very competitive in the classroom, which also helped train them for the event.



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world beat™



Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein orders his troops to the border of oil-rich Kuwait. The U.S. sends 350 warplanes to the area to support the Kuwaiti forces. By October 11, Hussein orders the withdrawal of most of his forces.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin calls out his poorly trained military to subdue a rebellion in Chechnya, a southern republic the size of Connecticut. Critics accuse Yeltsin of resorting to totalitarian methods of the old communist Soviet regime to keep the shaky Russian Federation unified.

Europe's worst flood in this century kills at least 30 people across Europe. Inland floods caused by melting Alpine snow and relentless rains hit Belgium, France, Germany, and the Netherlands, whose famous dike system begins to crumble late in January 1995 in the face of rampaging rivers. Dutch authorities evacuate 250,000 people from the lowlands.

Camilla Parker Bowles, allegedly Prince Charles' mistress, announces her divorce from her husband, Andrew Parker Bowles. Princess Diana is said to be negotiating a divorce from Charles, who will be free to remarry without giving up the throne — unless unhappy subjects force a referendum on the monarchy.

More than 900 passengers die, 140 are rescued when the Estonia, a 15,500-ton Baltic ferry sinks off the coast of Finland in a violent nightmare storm. The storm's 30-foot waves swamp the ship which lists and sinks in a matter of minutes.

World News

Reuters/Bettman



After a peasant uprising in Chiapas and two major political murders, Mexico gets a new president. Ernesto Zedillo, an economist, assumes office only to face a stockmarket crash, a ruined economy, and a loss of international confidence in the wake of the North American Free Trade Agreement.



Busque-Solo/From Gamma Liaison

On July 25, U.S. President Bill Clinton welcomes King Hussein of Jordan, right, and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to the White House, where the two sign a historic nonaggression pact that ends a 46-year state of belligerency between Israel and Jordan.



Conservative religious groups and those who believe in individual rights clash over issues of education for women and family planning at the U.N. International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo, Egypt, September 5.



Joyful residents of Belfast celebrate after the Irish Republican Army (IRA) announces an end to its military operations in Northern Ireland as of August 31. After 25 years of British military presence and over 3,000 killings, the IRA says it will now seek Irish union only through political channels.



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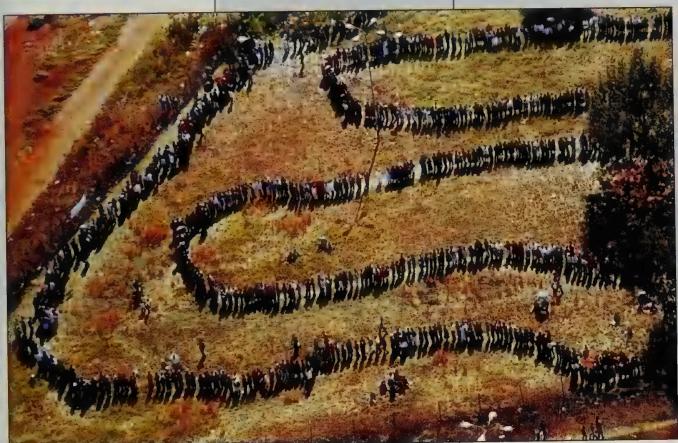
Tipper Gore, wife of U.S. Vice President Al Gore, visits Rwandan refugee camps in Zaire in July. Thousands of refugees, fleeing ethnic conflict in Rwanda, die of cholera, dysentery, and other infectious diseases. Fresh water supplied by the United States military greatly reduces the number of cholera deaths.

Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasir Arafat returns to Palestine in July 1994 after 27 years of exile in Tunisia. Arafat kisses the ground in the Gaza Strip, now a Palestinian autonomous zone under the terms of a 1993 peace accord with Israel.



Nader Attia/Sygma

AP/Wide World



AP/Wide World

Millions of South Africans travel weary hours and wait in mile-long lines to vote in the first all-race elections. After more than a century of white rule, the voters choose former political prisoner Nelson Mandela to preside over the dismantling of apartheid.

Jimmy Carter, former U.S. president and self-styled global troubleshooter for peace, negotiates on behalf of the U.S. in Haiti, Bosnia, and North Korea. He even offers to help settle the baseball strike.



Larry Downing/Sygma

US. President Bill Clinton, right, and British Prime Minister John Major take part in ceremonies in June 1994 at a military cemetery during the 50th anniversary commemoration of the Allied D-Day invasion of Europe, the event that sealed the fate of Nazi Germany during World War II.

AP/Wide World



In Japan, an earthquake with a magnitude of 7.2 collapses buildings, derails trains, buckles elevated expressways, and causes fires throughout the city of Kobe. Over 5,000 people are killed and 26,000 injured. The Japan quake occurs January 17, 1995, one year to the day after a quake devastated Los Angeles.



India suffers an outbreak of pneumonic plague, carried by flea-infested vermin. Workers in Bombay earn five rupees for each exterminated rat; one thousand rat-tails earns a color TV.



Catherine Henriette/Globe

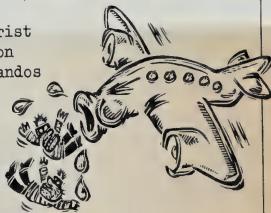
Chinese school children, dressed to look like Colonel Sanders, welcome the president of Kentucky Fried Chicken to Shanghai in May 1994. Few of the country's many foreign business ventures thrive, but KFC becomes a Chinese favorite. The finger-lickin' enterprise makes plans to expand its outlets from 20 to 200.

A triumphant Jean-Bertrand Aristide reclaims his position as president and restores democracy to Haiti with the help of U.S. troops. Haiti had suffered under the rule of a military junta led by General Raoul Cedras, who goes into exile after reaching an agreement with U.S. mediators.



Reuters/Bettmann

In one of the most successful antiterrorist operations in aviation history, French commandos storm an Air France jet-liner and kill four Algerian hijackers, freeing the plane's 173 passengers and crew.



Allan Tannenbaum/Sygma

Thousands of Cubans flee their economically depressed homeland, hoping for a better life in America. Many set off on homemade rafts and other small vessels only to be intercepted by the U.S. Coast Guard. The United States and Cuba reach an agreement in September that allows 20,000 Cuban immigrants to enter the United States each year.

In the wake of the 1994 Los Angeles earthquake and the southern California wildfires of 1993, California experiences more natural disasters in January 1995 when rainstorms cause flooding that kills 11 people and leaves 3,000 others homeless. Flooding is so high in Santa Barbara, fun-seeking teenagers dive off a freeway overpass into 15 feet of water. President Clinton declares 34 counties federal disaster areas.

In 1994, the U.S. registers a one-year population growth of 2.7 million. One-third of the increase is due to immigration, the largest such influx since 1914.

Author and humanities professor, Ralph Ellison, dies at age 80. His 1952 novel, *Invisible Man*, has been called the most powerful novel written about alienation, identity, and racism in America.

A huge increase in killings by 14- to 24-year-olds raises the nation's homicide rate, while violence blamed on preteens rocks communities nationwide. A boy, 13, is sentenced to life for strangling a four-year-old. In Chicago, an 11-year-old boy kills a 14-year-old girl and is then executed by his own gang. In Washington state a pair of 12-year-olds shoot a migrant worker.

Final Exam

The death of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis in May 1994 marks the end of an era, a time when America was prosperous, fighting for civil rights, and heading for the moon. The former first lady is buried next to her husband, President John F. Kennedy, in Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C.



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Called the Republican revolution, November mid-term elections put the Republican party and its anti-big government platform in control of Congress for the first time in 40 years. Georgia's Newt Gingrich, author of the GOP's "Contract with America," is the new Speaker of the House.



Heat, drought, and lightning combine to set Western states ablaze in late June and July. Fires consume 2,000 acres in Colorado's South Canyon when 50 mile-an-hour winds whip the flames into a firestorm, killing 14 specially trained firefighters; 10 men and four women.



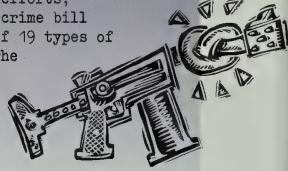
Jeffrey Matowitz/Sygma



AP/Wide World

The volunteers for Silent March bring shoes from every state for one of the quietest demonstrations to ever take place in Washington, D.C. Each empty pair of shoes represents one of the more than 40,000 Americans who have been killed by handguns.

Despite powerful National Rifle Association lobby efforts, Congress passes a crime bill banning the sale of 19 types of assault weapons. The Brady Law goes into effect; in one month 23,610 people with criminal records are denied the purchase of a handgun.



AP/Wide World



The 37th U.S. President, Richard Nixon, dies in April 1994. Nixon was responsible for restoring normal ties with the People's Republic of China following the signing of the Shanghai Communique in 1972.



Ron Phillips, The Gazette



The U.S. Food and Drug Administration blasts the tobacco company executives at a congressional hearing in March 1994 for denying that nicotine, a drug found in cigarette smoke, is addictive. Tobacco industry workers fear losing their jobs if the FDA succeeds in classifying and restricting cigarettes as a drug.



A rare white buffalo named Miracle draws crowds to the humble Wisconsin farm where it was born August 20. Native Americans believe the calf is the fulfillment of a Lakota Sioux prophecy. Five hundred years ago, White Buffalo Woman told her people that she would return as a white calf to usher in a new age of harmony between all races of mankind.

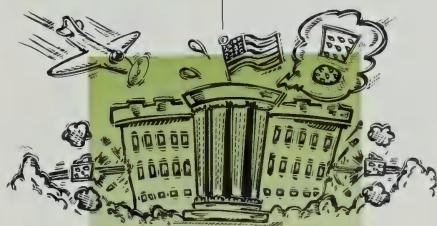
President Clinton, with Republican leader Bob Dole, signs legislation implementing the U.S. role in an expanded General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), one of the most sweeping trade liberalization pacts in history. The legislation makes the U.S. a member of a new 125-member World Trade Organization. Protectionists worry that GATT may promote world trade but won't sufficiently protect American jobs.



Wafer Gamma/Liaison



Former football star O.J. Simpson is charged with the June 12th stabbing death of his ex-wife Nicole and her friend Ronald Goldman, causing a non-stop media avalanche. The sensational case familiarized watchers with spouse abuse, a televised ride in a white Ford Bronco, "Kato" Kaelin, and DNA testing. Simpson faces the jury in January.



The Secret Service considers restricting public access to the White House after a gunman fires 27 rounds at the building's facade in October. In September, a small Cessna airplane crashes on the South Lawn and comes to rest at the base of the White House below President Clinton's bedroom, killing the pilot.

The U.S. Interior Department moves the bald eagle from its endangered species list to the less critical "threatened" category. The Pacific Northwest's spotted owl is left to fend for itself when in June a federal judge lifts the 1991 injunction that halted logging in the owl's habitat.

The fossil of a previously unknown dinosaur, the 25-foot-long *Cryolophosaurus ellioti*, is found in Antarctica.

Despite a so-called fitness craze, the National Center for Health Statistics confirms the American overabundance of food combined with a sedentary lifestyle is creating an epidemic of obesity. Since 1980, the number of overweight adults has ballooned to one-third of the population, with an alarming increase among children.

Some of the 599 newly revealed secret ingredients major cigarette-makers add to improve taste and texture: beeswax, butter, carrot oil, citronella oil, coco shells, corn silk, dandelion root extract, 31 chemicals that start with ethyl, oak chip oil, vinegar, and dimethylbenzofuranone.

Three planets are discovered orbiting a pulsar star 3,000 light-years away in the constellation Virgo. One is the size of the moon and two are three times more massive than Earth; all are rocky worlds without an atmosphere.

Science

NASA's space shuttle mission 64 tests the operations of a Simplified Aid For Extravehicular Activity Rescue (SAFAR) device. Crew member Mark Lee maneuvers successfully outside the Discovery, while Carl Meade photographs him against the background of Earth.

Martin Rodbell and Alfred Gilman are awarded the 1994 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for developing a model of cell communication that has medical implications from cholera to cancer.

The Food and Drug Administration institutes new food labeling on almost all foods in response to consumer protest against the many misleading claims of food producers. The new readable labels provide realistic serving sizes, list calories from fat, and allow you to compare different nutrient values.



NASA



Institute of Human Origins



Autostereograms, popularly known as Magic Eye, cause legions of people to stare cross-eyed for long periods of time. Based on a mystery of neurology and 3-D objects, pattern elements fuse into left-eye and right-eye images of a single hidden object which appears to be floating.



UPI/Bettmann

The century's greatest chemist and antinuclear activist, Linus C. Pauling, winner of the Nobel Prize for Chemistry in 1954 and the Nobel Peace Prize in 1962, dies at the age of 93. His work on DNA laid the foundation for Crick and Watson's discovery of the double helix.



In Ethiopia, anthropologists discover the skull of a human ancestor, *Australopithecus ramidus*, 4.4 million years old. The new species has features midway between apes and humans and promises to provide clues to still earlier evolutionary stages.

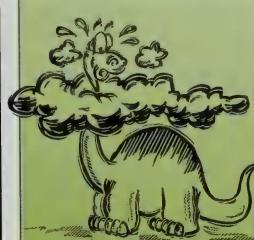
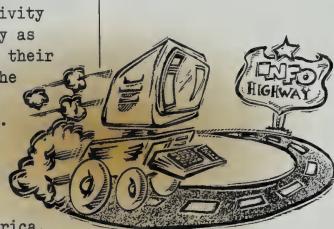


Japan's "Love Love Simulation" computer program allows couples to take a non-scientific look at future offspring by digitally combining their own photos to predict a child's appearance.

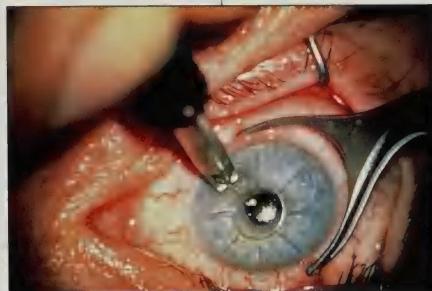


As天文家 wait at every major telescope in the world to see the historic cosmic crack-up of the 21 big fragments of Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 as it smacks into the atmosphere of Jupiter at 134,000 miles an hour. Plumes of fire shoot up hundreds of miles, high enough to become visible to telescopes on Earth.

Internet activity rises sharply as surfers find their way around the information superhighway. Advertisers, rock music reviewers, the worldly Voice of America, and others decide it's time to jump on.



NASA publishes a new report supporting the theory that a giant comet hit Earth 65 million years ago and vaporized 100 billion tons of sulphur to create the cloud barrier that froze Earth's atmosphere and killed the dinosaurs.



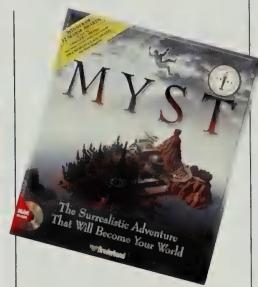
BSIP from Custom Medical

A long-term study of radial keratotomy finds it generally safe and effective. For the nearsighted, tiny spoke-like incisions into the eye improve focusing ability and eliminate the need for eyeglasses. The patient is awake for the procedure.



Jean Clottes, Ministre de la Culture from Sigma

Acave is found in southern France, full of 300 vivid paintings of woolly-haired rhinos, bears, mammoths, panthers, and owls made about 20,000 years ago. The Stone Age artists also left behind bear skulls, flint knives, footprints, and fireplaces. Experts call it the archaeological find of the century.



The non-violent CD-ROM game *Myst* by Cyan, Inc. becomes a best-selling phenomenon, winning legions of devoted fans and spawning imitators. The fantasy-adventure's graphic visuals are hyper-real; the written word is the key to the mystery.

Gerard Lacz, Animals/Animals



One of Lake Superior's enduring mysteries is solved by scientists and marine historians who explore the wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald, an ore carrier that sank with its crew in a 1975 storm. The ship, overruled and in poor condition, was ripped apart by 90-mph winds and 30-foot waves. Most of the 29 crewmen are entombed inside the wreckage, well preserved in the 39° waters.



Cutbacks in military spending force the U.S. Navy to reduce its elite 100-dolphin fleet trained for use in sonar research, mine sweeping, and underwater recovery. Too tame to be released in the open sea, the veterans of conflicts from Vietnam to the Persian Gulf retire to aquariums and water parks.

The most popular names for newborns this year are Ashley and Michael.

Young people serve their country by volunteering under a new program called AmeriCorps, where 20,000 people aged 17 and up work with community-based organizations in exchange for \$7,500 plus money toward college tuition or loans.

One percent of the nation's 50 million school-age children learn at home as families seek alternatives to public schools. In a handful of high-tech experiments, kids submit homework by modem, download books and artwork from the Internet, and collaborate on academic projects with other children around the world.

A survey of college kids reveals their favorite sources of sugar and caffeine during all-night studying to be: powdered iced tea, peanut butter mixed with marshmallow cream, baby food, ramen noodles, raw cookie dough, and trail mix made from chocolate chips, graham cracker bits, and mini-marshmallows.

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A lively new cafe society centers around the 5,000 gourmet coffeeshops which spring up around the country. To the often young and trendy patrons, the social interaction is just as important as the espresso. Some cafes offer full-time Internet links so patrons can sip and chat with other Internet latte-drinkers.



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Yoga, a Hindu system of stretching exercises for well-being, surges in popularity, mostly because the older generation seeks a technique for alleviating stress and finds yoga better than aerobics.



Aerobic boxing, with boxing-style leg and arm work, turns out to be one of the year's hot exercise trends, showing up in workout studios and attracting those who want to work off their aggression by throwing a right and a few jabs.



Besides recycled clothing like license-plate bustiers, bottle-cap jewelry, trash-bag and duct-tape dresses, fashion trends include the schoolgirl look with thigh-highs, and the grunge-turned-beatnik look of long, straight hair and a goatee.

A new survey shows that over 12 million Americans are vegetarians, choosing the no-meat lifestyle because of concern about animal cruelty, cost-efficiency, eco-friendliness and/or improved health and fitness.



The hottest merchandise around is Mighty Morphin Power Rangers, so hot Cabbage Patch dolls pale in comparison. Parents criticize Fox's super-violent TV show, but their kids crave Dragon Daggers, Megazords, and the 4-foot, \$230 battery-powered car. "Go, go, Power Rangers!"

life new



Led by brash young skate and surf types, two million snowboarders nationwide discover the joy of swooping down slopes on one board instead of two. No hard boots, no poles, no crossed tips, make it easier than skiing. Since their giant frozen wave is a ski hill, snowboarders annoy old-style skiers who want their slopes left undisturbed by shredders.



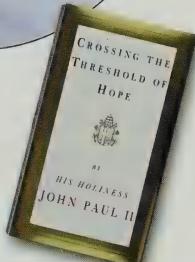
Nathan Blow/Allsport

A hot new collectible derives from an old household item. Milk caps, known in some regions as pogs, originally capped the bottles left by the milkman but have now gone funky with colorful printed designs and variations that are traded and used in games.



Although most are forced to settle for Oakley wrap-arounds, stylin' kids, like in-line skaters and urban youth, clamor for Arnet's \$80 Ravens with the silver-chrome frames.

The first generation to ignore colas in favor of fruit drinks, today's young people give Snapple popular cult status. The trend breeds juice wars as Snapple imitators like Fruityopia vie for youth market shares and inundate the airwaves with Generation X-type advertising.



Pope John Paul II authors *Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, a blend of theology, evangelizing and personal reminiscence. It becomes a best-seller in 35 countries.



Jacques Chene/Banque/Liaison

Remaining a virgin in the face of peer pressure finds new respect among teens who defend their freedom to forgo sex in a sex-crazy world. The movement is both a demand for real love and a reaction against unwanted pregnancy and health risks, since today one out of four kids are infected with sexually transmitted diseases by the age of 21.



Will and Deni McIntyre/Photo Researchers

It's called "the year of the cottage industry" as more Americans adopt different work arrangements in response to corporate downsizing, either by telecommuting or starting businesses out of their homes.



Kool-Aid makes a cheap hair-dye, an alternative to bleached hair with, say, Prizm Blue added for sheen. The "city fade" shaves the sides of your head and leaves the top longer, and the matted hair look is achieved by leaving the soap in and forgetting to comb.



Reed Williams/Animals/Animals

The designer pets of the year are African pygmy hedgehogs, and some 3,000 find homes with humans. They are gentle, like to be petted, and need a once-a-day feeding of pet food or mealworms. They don't smell and will even eat your roaches.

John Travolta and Samuel L. Jackson star in *Pulp Fiction*, an "extravagantly demented low-life latapalooza with outlandish twists." The film's plot revolves around a watch, a briefcase, and a large syringe in a darkly humorous scene which reportedly causes a few audience members with needle-phobia to fall out of their seats in revision.

John Candy, the large and lovable star of films *Splash*, *Cool Runnings*, *Home Alone*, and many other family favorites, dies at the age of 43. Whether Candy played jerks, slobs or loonies, his natural goodness came shining through.

entertainment news

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Every Tuesday night 20 million homes tune in to "Home Improvement," television's No. 1 show, starring comedian Tim Allen as Tim Taylor, the how-to host of "Tool Time," with his wife Jill and three kids. Fans love this funny real-life reflection of middle-class family life.

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The animals aren't cuddly, but Disney's 32nd animated feature *The Lion King* is still a box-office smash and a sure classic. The story of a young lion, Simba, on the path to maturity combines five Tim Rice/Elton John songs with comedy that leaves audiences roaring. Just say "Hakuna matata," Swahili for "no worries."



"*Living Single*" is hailed as a New York City version of "Designing Women." The comedy is about four women who share a big apartment, and features Kim Fields and rap star Queen Latifah, whose quiet presence and dignity singles her out as a star.



This year's Emmy for best comedy series goes to TV's "Frasier," the story of a radio psychiatrist with a dysfunctional family. Star of the critical and main-stream hit, Kelsey Grammer dedicates his best-actor award to the dog "Eddie" whose off-screen name is Moose.

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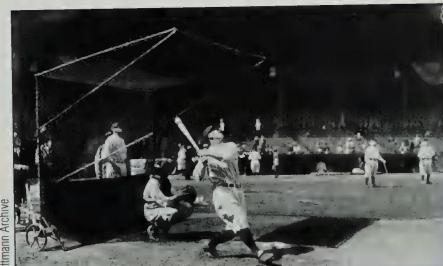
Gammel/Liaison

After his villain in Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* and his title role in Bertolucci's *Little Buddha*, actor Keanu Reeves buffs up to play an action star in *Speed*, about a bomb and a runaway bus, one of the year's biggest box office hits.

With the first female starship captain, TV's "Star Trek: Voyager" is the newest offshoot of the enduring Star Trek phenomenon, after "Deep Space Nine," "The Next Generation," and this year's full-length feature *Star Trek: Generations*.

On Gehrig's last day, Sandy Koufax on the mound, and Jackie Robinson's arrival are all part of the Ken Burns film "Baseball," an 18 1/2-hour historical mini-series on PBS. "Baseball" touches on American issues of race, labor, immigration, the role of women, urban renewal, popular media, and the nature of heroes and mythology.

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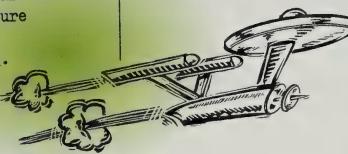
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Although his action fans may prefer *True Lies*, Arnold Schwarzenegger, with co-star Danny DeVito, cracks up audiences in *Junior*, where the strongman plays a boringly-serious scientist who tests a fertility drug on himself, learns the joys of motherhood, and falls in love with the baby's mom, Emma Thompson.



Baywatch/Gammel/Liaison

"*Baywatch*," the world's most-watched syndicated TV show, is a feel-good action/adventure about a Malibu lifeguard, played by David Hasselhoff. Sunny beach scenes take the pressure off plot or character development. In tribute to its popularity, Mattel, Inc. creates Baywatch Barbie.



Fine Line from Shooting Star

Hoop Dreams is a documentary about two young Chicago athletes who dream of playing in the NBA. Arthur Agee and William Gates soon realize the dream will have to come at the expense of everything else. *Hoop Dreams* offers as much drama, excitement, and emotional ups and downs as anything to come out of Hollywood.

After their Woodstock '94 performance scores them mass adulation and an onstage mudfight, punk-pop trio Green Day wins the title for this year's best new band. Their album *Dookie*, featuring "Basket Case," goes triple platinum.

LPs make a comeback when major recording labels give in to pressure from artists and fans. New titles are released on vinyl, as well as CDs and tapes. Pronounced dead in the '80s, the revived 12-inch long-plays come complete with the art-covered sleeves and lyric-sheet inserts that make them collector's items.

Liz Phair follows up *Exile in Guyville* with *Whip-smart* and songs like "Super Nova" and "Jealousy." Her music is said to be about self-parody, defensiveness, beautiful flaws, and cluelessness.

Futuristic noise mavens Nine Inch Nails and singer Trent Reznor drive home a point with their "Closer" single and hit video, from their album *The Downward Spiral*.

Mosh pit heroes Bad Religion get plenty of play with "21st Century Boy" and their album *Stranger Than Fiction*.

Beastie Boys release their fourth hip-hop album *III Communication* on the heels of their highly popular *Check Your Head*.

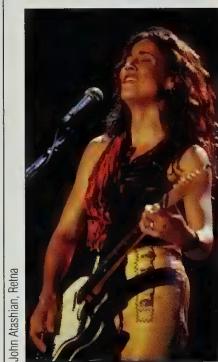
Superunknown, a 70-minute, 15-song opus, debuts at No. 1 on the *Billboard* charts. Fans and critics say it's the best record of metal band Soundgarden's career.

music new

Jim Graham/LG



Brooks Kraft/Sygma



John Aiston/Rouge

Singer Sheryl Crow hits paydirt with her debut album, *Tuesday Night Music Club* with the seedy-but-upbeat sounds of "Leaving Las Vegas" and "All I Want to Do."

Jodeci, two pairs of brothers whose funky ballads coined the term "Feelin'," bring gospel harmonies to their new album *Diary of a Mad Band*, which goes platinum.



Music, moshing, and lots of mud define Woodstock '94. The 25th anniversary of the original 1969 "summer of love" has ATMs, Pepsi, and '90s prices: \$135 tickets and \$4 hamburgers. After happily grooving to everything from Bob Dylan to Nine Inch Nails, 350,000 fans depart peacefully.



Scott Weiner/Retna

Jim Gaham/LG



They dress alike and rule Motown. It seems like Boyz II Men only makes mega-hits, like "On Bended Knee" and "I'll Make Love to You." Their second album, *II*, goes straight to No. 1 on the R&B charts.



Fotex from Shooting Star

Although Madonna's bad-mannered appearance on Letterman begets criticism, her album *Bedtime Stories*, with hits "Take a Bow" and "Secret," is a solid chart-topper.



Edie Baskin/Retna

Seattle rock band Pearl Jam and front man Eddie Vedder give youthful angst a good name as they rock hard with their third album, *Vitalogy*, considered their strongest yet.

Pop-siren Janet Jackson's body language and lyrics draw large concert crowds to see her perform hits like "You Want This/70's Love Groove." Jackson wins an MTV Music Award for her video "If."

Singer Vince Gill makes country music history by winning the Country Music Association's award for top male vocalist four years in a row. The CMA also awards him 1994 Entertainer of the Year.



S. Mansfield/Starline Sunshine Star



WHAT MURKIN'S GOT, STUDYING SAIL

Nominated for best female vocalist, country singer Mary Chapin Carpenter croons at the Country Music Awards ceremony, but loses to Pam Tillis. Carpenter's album *Stones in the Road* tops the country charts.



Scott Weiner, Retna



Jay Blakesberg, Helna

It's a year of hits for buzz band, Gin Blossoms. Their top-selling album *New Miserable Experience*, covers "Hey Jealousy," "Found Out About You," and "Until I Fall Away."



David Corio Retina

Hailed as the crown prince of reggae, Buju Banton's album, *Buju Banton: Voice of Jamaica*, pumps the party with "Walk Like a Champion" and "Man a Look Yuh."



Katie Ledyko, Shooting Star

Hit single "Cryin'" wins MTV's Video of the Year award for singer Steven Tyler and metal band Aerosmith, who ride a wave of success and release their new album *Big Ones*.



J. AMY BISACCIA REINA

EMI Records releases Live at the BEC a two-disc set of radio concerts recorded by the Beatles in the early '60s. "Free as a Bird," an original unfinished track by the late John Lennon, is finished, mixed with the live voices of Paul, George, and Ringo, and included in the set.



Tommy Calder: Shooting Star

The rock-spectacle Rolling Stones tour, named after their album *Voodoo Lounge*, combines a light show, computer animation, video blowups, and gigantic inflatable props. Millions watch the Stones prance through their classic and current hits like "Love Is Strong." *Voodoo Lounge* becomes the highest grossing tour in history with \$115 million in ticket sales.



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The Benedictine Monks of Santo Domingo de Silos release their CD, Chant. Heavy rotation on MTV turns the collection of ancient Gregorian chants into an unexpected best-seller.



Niels Van Iperen, Retna



Irish rock foursome, the Cranberries, tour the United States playing the sad, pretty melodies from their second hit album, *No Need to Argue*.



Jeffrey Scarpa | G



Michael Benabib, Retna

Rappers with a self-reliant attitude, Salt-N-Pepa keep their *Very Necessary* vibe going this year with hits "Shoop" and "Whatta Man" which wins them, along with En Vogue, an MTV Music Award.

Ranked No. 1, the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers finish their unbeaten season by defeating the Miami Hurricanes to win the national title. Quarterback Tommie Frazier earns MVP honors by guiding the Huskers to two fourth-quarter touchdowns and a frenetic 24-17 victory.

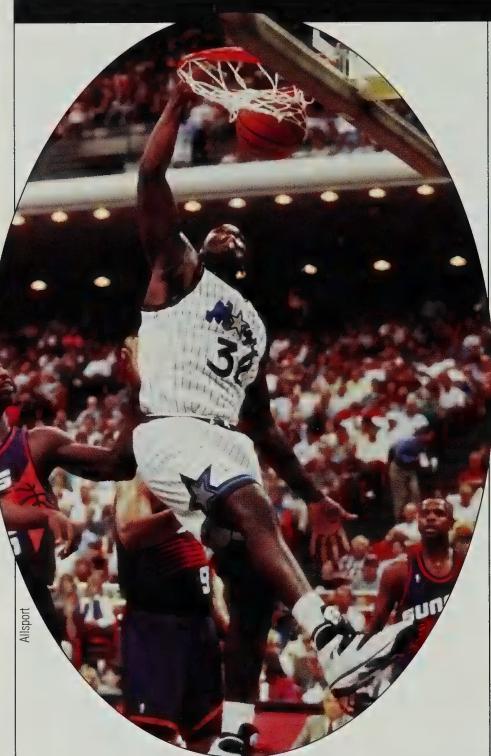
She was a pro at 13, a millionaire at 14, and out of the game at 17. After getting booked on charges of marijuana possession, tennis star Jennifer Capriati enters a drug rehab program and makes a comeback in autumn where she plays well but loses her first-round match.

Former Wimbledon champ Andre Agassi wins the 1994 U.S. Open and beats champion Pete Sampras in the 1995 Australian Open. Called the most popular tennis player in the world, the tennis phenom has a new girlfriend, former model Brooke Shields.

The National Hockey League plays only 48 of the 82 games in the season this year due to a lockout. Following baseball's example, hockey owners put salary caps on their players, who strike but lose out to the owner's rule.

Track and field star Wilma Rudolph dies at the age of 54. The 20th of 22 children, she overcame polio, scarlet fever, and pneumonia to become a basketball star at 13, an Olympic bronze medalist at 16, and a winner of three gold medals in the 1960 Rome Olympics.

SPORTS



Alsport

Whenever the Magic, led by 7'1" 300-pound Shaquille O'Neal, score 110 points, the Orlando McDonald's restaurants redeem home game tickets for a free Big Mac. With the team selling out all 16,000 seats, the Golden Arches supply a massive Mac attack, consoling fans for the lack of a playoff victory.



Focus on Sports

Pitchman George Foreman, 45, wearing the same red trunks he sported when he fought Muhammad Ali 20 years earlier, wins the world's heavyweight boxing title from Michael Moorer with a 10th round knockout.

The high rate of early burnout in women's pro tennis from media pressure, trainers, and sponsors causes the parents of Venus Williams, 14, to delay her pro debut.



Alsport



Alsport

Pete Sampras defeats Goran Ivanisevic in the men's singles final at Wimbledon in July 1994, for his second straight Wimbledon title. In January, pressure of defending the title causes him to break down in tears at the 1995 Australian Open.

Having already announced her retirement from singles tennis, nine-time Wimbledon champion Martina Navratilova waves good-bye to an emotional crowd, after losing to Conchita Martinez in her last Wimbledon match.



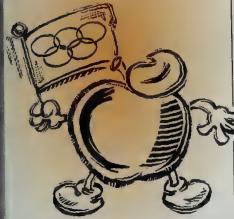
Reuters/Bettmann

In July, Miguel Indurain of Spain makes a triumphant entry on the Champs Elysées in Paris to win the Tour de France for the fourth straight time. He wins the 3-week, 3,218 km contest easily, finishing five minutes, 39 seconds ahead of the field. Greg LeMond, the only American to win the Tour de France three times, retires from racing because of health problems.



On June 14, the New York Rangers defeat the Vancouver Canucks 3 to 2 in the seventh game of the Stanley Cup play-offs, winning the coveted hockey cup for the first time in 54 years.

The Centennial Olympics will be in Atlanta, Georgia in 1996. The city will emphasize its multicultural aspects to honor athletes from around the world.



Dara Torres-Gowen becomes the first Olympic swimmer to model swimsuits in the *Sports Illustrated* annual swimsuit issue. Gold-medalist Torres-Gowen's sporty looks break the "waifs and glamazons" mold dictated by fashion.



Fans are openly angry when a dispute between players and team owners over salary caps and other issues threatens to shut down baseball. A work stoppage begins on August 12, and no World Series is played for the first time since 1904.

Strong, Gamma/Liaison



Tonya Harding, barred for life from organized skating for obstructing justice in the investigation of an assault on Nancy Kerrigan, is offered \$2 million by the All Japan Women's Pro Wrestling Association to wrestle as a baddie.

In Super Bowl XXIX in Miami, the San Francisco 49ers beat the San Diego Chargers 49-26, in their record-breaking fifth Super Bowl win. Quarterback Steve Young passes for a record six touchdowns to win most valuable player.



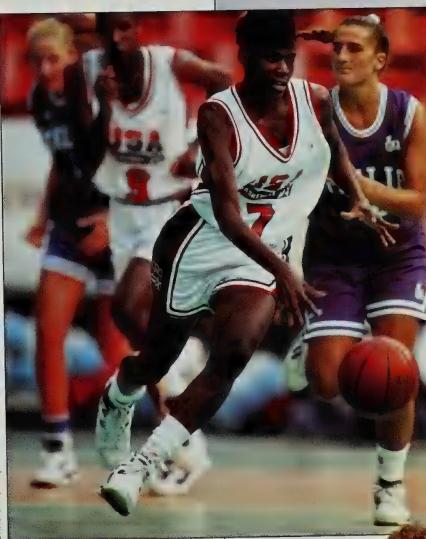
Pascal Rondeau/Allsport

After 52 wins, four PPG Cup titles, and \$10 million in earnings, IndyCar champion Mario Andretti races for the final time in his 31-year career. The four-time Indianapolis 500 champion retires in October 1994.

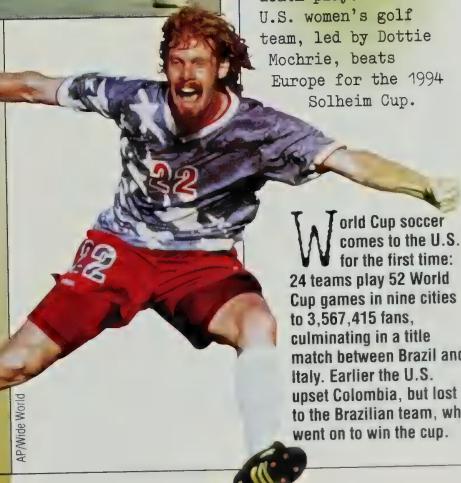


Ernie Els wins the 1994 U.S. Open golf tournament in sudden-death playoff. The U.S. women's golf team, led by Dottie Mochrie, beats Europe for the 1994 Solheim Cup.

Chris Cole/Alsport



Basketball star Sheryl Swoopes leads the U.S. women's basketball team to a gold medal at the Goodwill Games in Russia. Earlier she led Texas Tech to an NCAA title and signed an endorsement deal with Nike.



AP/Wide World

World Cup soccer comes to the U.S. for the first time: 24 teams play 52 World Cup games in nine cities to 3,567,415 fans, culminating in a title match between Brazil and Italy. Earlier the U.S. upset Colombia, but lost to the Brazilian team, who went on to win the cup.

Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun, 85, who wrote the majority opinion in Roe v. Wade, the landmark 1973 case that guaranteed a woman's legal right to abortion, announces his retirement from the court after 24 years.

The Charles and Diana fairy-tale-turned-sordid-soap continues: A German newspaper prints nude photos of Prince Charles; he publishes a confession saying he never loved his wife. Princess Diana is suspected of making crank phone calls; an old friend who claims to be her ex-lover hawks a trashy kiss-and-tell book.

Tabitha the cat spends 12 days and 32,000 miles in the fuselage of a Tower Air 747 jet when she escapes her cat carrier and gets lost in the cargo hold. Tabitha makes television appearances after her rescue with her aspiring-actress owner. Tabitha lost two pounds during the ordeal, her owner lost six.

The Florida judge would not allow Paul Hill to use justifiable homicide as a defense in the shootings of Dr. John Britton and his bodyguard outside a Pensacola abortion clinic. Hill is found guilty of murder in the first degree.

Anna Paquin, 11, wins an Academy Award for her performance in *The Piano*. Says actor Gene Hackman, "I guess now you'll have no trouble getting cast in your school play."



Reuters/Bettmann

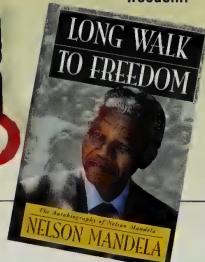
Ronald Reagan, 83, announces he is in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease, which will cause him to rely increasingly on wife Nancy. Doctors say the easy-going ex-president should be able to function normally for several more years.

Despite hurled obscenities and death threats, Shannon Faulkner, 19, battles the all-male Citadel for the right to become the first female cadet in the 152-year history of the state-supported South Carolina military school.



Reuters/Bettmann

Nelson Mandela, an international hero who won the Nobel Peace Prize, writes his story. *Long Walk to Freedom: The Autobiography of Nelson Mandela* covers the author's 27 years as a political prisoner, his release, and black Africans' struggle for freedom.



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Sending a worthy message to pageant-watchers, Heather Whitestone, a deaf Alabama college junior who works with handicapped kids, is crowned 1994 Miss America by her predecessor Kimberly Aiken.



Reuters/Bettmann

In Singapore, American teenager Michael Fay is convicted of vandalism and publicly caned four times by a martial arts master, despite pleas from his family and President Clinton.



Reuters/Bettmann

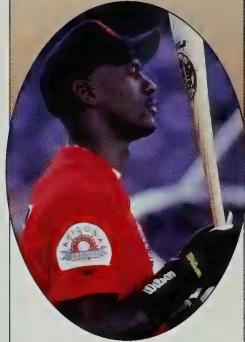
Cartoonist Gary Larson announces that he will retire *The Far Side*, a feature that began in 1978 and has appeared in 1,500 newspapers.

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



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Former basketball superstar Michael Jordan improves his game for the Arizona Scottsdale Scorpions, a minor-league baseball team. He still has no plans to return to the hoops.

[Jonathan Daniel/Allsport]

In about the most surprising event of the year, Michael Jackson weds Elvis' daughter, Lisa Marie Presley in a secret ceremony, May 1994. Journalists wonder if the union isn't a business arrangement or an attempt to polish Michael's public image, tarnished by claims of child molestation.



AP/Wide World

Applying his new fame to good works, actor Antonio Banderas, of *Philadelphia* and *Interview With the Vampire*, spends a week on a goodwill mission helping UNICEF draw attention to war-torn Somalia.



Ron Davis/Shooting Star

Scruffy movie idol Johnny Depp and wispy model Kate Moss have a headline-making lovers quarrel. Depp is arrested for trashing the couple's hotel room.



All Action/Hema Ltd.

Model Cindy Crawford and actor Richard Gere, dubbed the world's sexiest couple, announce their separation. Hollywood books Crawford for her first movie.



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etting With The Program

Computer science competitions add to a very successful and challenging year



just saw a mouse!

Clinton Stevens uses the mouse to draw a picture on the computer screen. Clinton took computer science at governor school and was captain of the Basic team.

After a long and tiresome night of screaming and cheering for the basketball team at Bristol, the Basic and Pascal computer science teams ventured out early the next morning to attend the Southern Piedmont Computer Programming Contest at Longwood College. Despite having jet lag, the Basic team placed third and Pascal second.

The contest consisted of five challenging programs. Judging of the competition was based on the performance and execution of the programs and the time it took to submit them correctly. Penalties, such as adding 10 minutes to the final time, occurred each time a program was submitted incorrectly. Competitors were limited to a four hour time period for program completion.

At closing ceremonies, both teams won a one year subscription to computer magazines, such as Computer Shopper, for themselves as well as the school. They took special pride in defeating schools with larger populations and more advanced computer equipment.

Bryan Overstreet

This better work!

Nick Clark performs a lab in Technology Foundations, a class offered at the Bedford Science and Technology Center (BSTC). Nick was also acknowledged in the Science Fair for writing the "Valentine Match-Up" program that allowed students to purchase their valentine matches for a dollar. The profit went towards new equipment for the computer labs.



I "C" you!

Melissa Pankey, James Meyer, and Joseph Parker wait for Mrs. Hoisington to check a program. They were among the few that enrolled in C++ programming, the newest computer language, previously only taught in colleges.



r. Wizard's World

Blowing Up the Competition

Botany, Chemistry, Computer Science, and Mathematics were a few of the categories at the science fair. Experiments ranged from growing plants in jars to washing the laundry. Between the three participating schools there were over 100 backboards set up in the auditorium at B.E.C.. When awards were given, 17 students from Liberty placed in 13 different categories, 5 received honorable mentions. In May the Tenth International Science Fair was held in Canada. Jamie Parker placed fourth in the Environmental Science category, which contained over 100 other students from around the world.

There were three science clubs: the reptile club, the lifesavers club, and Jets. The reptile and lifesavers clubs studied animals and protecting their rights.

The Jets team sponsored by Mr. Lee, consisted of seven people on the Varsity team and four people on the J.V. team. The Jets team placed a record second in the Southwest regional competition against 10 other schools in the open admissions division. Having a small group allowed the students to interact on a more personal level and made it easier for the students to prepare for competition.

Jamie McKinney

Sticky Situations

Bobby Phillips fights with the tape at the Bedford Science Fair. Many students had to make last minute adjustments on their projects.

All Wrapped Up

Corrina Miller, Crystal Johnson, and Robin Hartman play dress-up with a snake. Being able to study animals was one of the advantages of being in the Reptile club.



Lifesavers Club

Amy Taylor, Sarah Stallard, and Leanne Dudley.

Cold-hearted Snake

Michelle Heptinstall and Chris Arnold are eager to touch the snake. Many students were scared of the snakes but some were fascinated.

The World Fair

Jamie Parker prepares her project for the judging. Jamie placed fourth in the Environmental Science category at the International Science Fair.





ets Team

irst row: Kristine Price, Brian Clark, Almeda Wirght, Jennifer St.Clair, Dwayne arnett. Second row: Perry Pinion, Nick Clark, Adrian Lanning, Chris Robey, Greg ling, and Mike Ayers.

Bedford County Science Fair

Botany

3rd Chris Fulton

Chemistry

2nd Brian Clark

3rd Bo Terry

Honorable Mention Shannon Linton

Computer Science

1st Nicholas Clark

Earth and Space Sciences

1st Andrea Robertson

2nd William Swain III

3rd Tim Saunders

Environmental Sciences

3rd Jamie Parker

Mathematics

1st Michael Ayers

Medicine and Health

Honorable Mention Amy Taylor

Microbiology

2nd Jennifer Creasy

Physics

2nd Brian Long

3rd Melissa Pankey

Honorable Mention Chris Blair

Zoology

2nd Amanda Key

Honorable Mention Patty Karnes

Group Projects

2nd Faith Martin and Olivia Witt

3rd Hung Tran and Nam Tran

Honorable Mention Adam Smith, Ben Smith, and Walker Wright

Research Award

Nicholas Clark

Keep Bedford Beautiful

1st Jamie Parker

Growing Things!

Crystal Dickson, J. R. Overstreet, Zak Bigart, Matt McCula, and Thomas Hamilton care for plants. The Biology I class helped spruce up the nature trail.



Eww!

Heather Arnold examines the inner workings of a fetal pig. Dissections were performed in Biology I and II.



Tender Loving Care

Kelly Garrett and Jason Jackson carefully pet a guinea pig. Students did many labs in Biology I.



Like this Do?

Kelly Ludwig sports a wig for shock value. Experiencing the repercussion of being different is not always easy , but Kelly handled it with ease.



Watch out!

Brian Long, Mike Ayers, Stephanie Church and Melissa Pankey carefully observe a chemical reaction. Students had to be careful with many of the chemicals used in the science labs.

Hands on Learning

Labs prove to be more effective under block scheduling

For a lot of students, lab days were often something to look forward to. Doing a project helped them learn more about what they were studying in a hands on way.

Block scheduling allowed labs to be completed in one day that had previously taken two to three. Closure helped labs be more effective.

All science classes performed labs. In Mrs. Keister's Biology I class, the students raised and cared for guinea pigs. Dissections were performed on fetal pigs, worms, starfish, and frogs in Biology I and II classes. The students had mixed feelings on dissection.

"In Biology II we were dissecting fetal pigs and I just don't agree with that. I'm a vegetarian because I don't believe in cruelty to animals, so I have never participated in dissections. I went to the library and did an alternate assignment. I think that should be an option that is open to everyone no matter what their reasons," said Carson Overstreet.

Although labs were mainly with science, there were also labs taking place in social studies classes. In Ms. Cheek's sociology class students did a norm violation study. The students had to come up with something totally out of the ordinary to do in public. In sociological terms, they had to break one of society's norms and then record the public's reaction. Students did everything from wearing their sleep wear to school to carrying their books in a suitcase all day. Sonya Richbourg, a student in the first semester class, bought a shopping cart full of groceries with all change. She got more than a few odd stares. In Psychology class, students performed experiments having to do with sensory perception, as well as other psychological concepts that are more easily understood first hand.

Students can learn a lot from doing labs in class. After all, one of the best ways to learn something was by doing it.

Lora Campbell



What happened here?

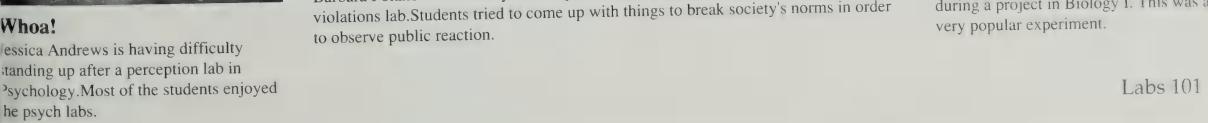
Barbara Polakova and Emily Rowe sport wild hair and PJs for the Sociology norm violations lab. Students tried to come up with things to break society's norms in order to observe public reaction.

Aww!

Gary Dooley cares for a guinea pig during a project in Biology I. This was a very popular experiment.

Whoa!

Jessica Andrews is having difficulty standing up after a perception lab in Psychology. Most of the students enjoyed the psych labs.





ack in the Days

As seniors prepare to go their separate ways, the memories of their younger years held a special place in their hearts

It seems like only yesterday the Senior class was catching the bus and heading to elementary school. Many things have changed over the years.

For many it seems they have been friends forever. Growing up together was a challenge that would hopefully get them ready for the real world. They grew up together and now they have gone their separate ways.

Greta Davis

Look at that! (Far right)

Front row: Yolanda Wilson, LaShonna Wright, Shamere Alexander. Second row: Summer Salyer, Sheree Coles. Back row: Sam Leftwich, and Brad Burdette, pay close attention at a pep rally. Seniors tend to be out numbered at pep rallies.

Say Cheese!

Chris Gardner, Tim Stanley, Toby Markham, and Johnny Cash pose for a picture at the football banquet. Many seniors participated in athletics.



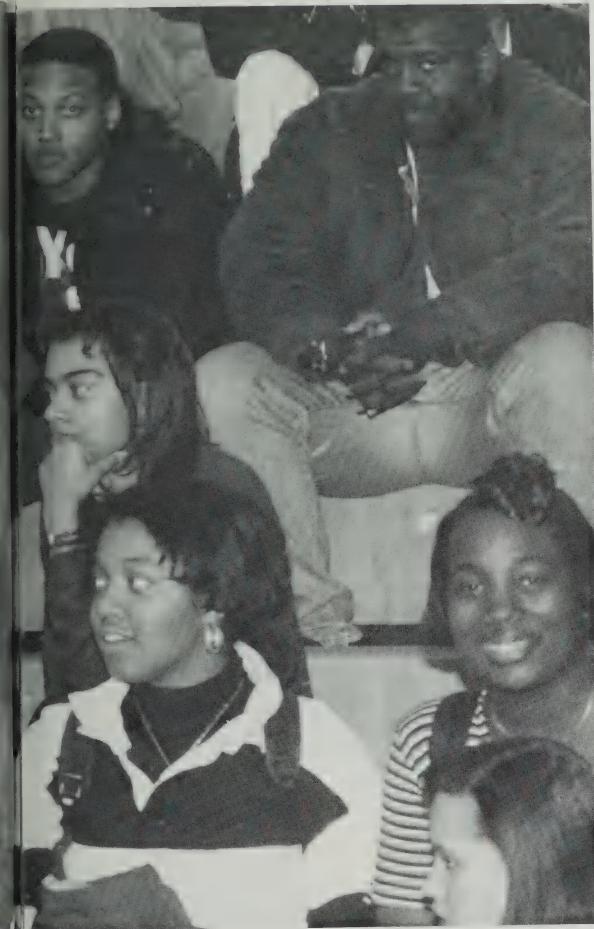
Mrs. McCoy's Kiddie Class(1981-82)

Front Row: Rebekah Moulton, Mac Parker, Brian Long, Joel Morgan, Michelle Johnson. Second Row: Benji Turner, Ryan Tinsley, Kristen Roop, Chris Gardner, Cassidy Witt, Heather Baity, Melissa Panky. Third Row: Troy Hazelwood, Shannon Greer, Stephen Shrader, Joseph Sellers, Corey Key, Michael Sloan, Jamie Long and Toby Markham.



Thaxton sixth grade class

Front Row: Roy Wheat, Jared Saul, Mike Starkey, Bruce Puckett, Denise Hayes, Angela Goff, Mike Caldwell; Second Row: Marie Bouck, Melissa Wheat, Caleb Jackson, Danny Waector, Kevin Slocum, Danny Crouch, Chassity Harris, Toby Markham, Emily Wilson; Third Row: Michelle Johnson, Mike Flowers, Anna Goshorn, Kristine Price, Alison Witt, Michelle Carhart, Joe Lynch, Summer Salyer, Whitney Hogan, and Mrs. Arrington



Bedford elementary fifth grade class

Front Row: Jill Lipscomb, Mary Carter Mason, Jaime Long, Stephanie Church, Marie Bouck; Second Row: Melissa Pankey, Amanda Pelfrey, Shannon Jurkus, Kathy Stevens, Angela Bunn; Third Row: Chris Gardner, C.J. Harris, Greg Boyer, Brian Long, Russell Smith, Shannon Greer; Fourth Row: Justin Laughlin, Brad Ellis, Tim Stanley, Phillip Wallace, Joseph Parker, Keith Bates; Fifth Row: Stephen Shrader



Big Island sixth grade class

Front Row: Sophie Scruggs, D.J. Paxton; Second Row: Greg Hariss, Robbie Robertson, Eric Arrington, Denny Goff, Alan Tomlin, Brian Overstreet, Suzanne Aldrich, Troy Wines, Tanya Branch, Karla Goff; Third Row: Angie Wilson, Patty Karnes, Cassidy Witt, Katie Hagerman, April Davis, Desirae Goff, Jessica Tolley, Jeremy Jackson, Tracey Goff, Almeda Wright; Fourth Row: Monica Byers, Tammy Goff, Kristy Hogan, James Sexton, Mike Craig, Shannon Byers, Bo Terry, Brandon Burks, and John Doss



Otter River third grade class

Front Row: Corey Coleman, Jamie Boyer, Ryan Jackson, Patty Karnes, Tommy Ore; Second Row: James Sexton, Matty Seigler, Bo Terry, Jason Rice, Eric Arrington, Boyd Spinner; Third Row: Cassidy Witt, Angela Martin, Patricia Dotson, Angie Parker, Kevin Johnson, Suzanne Aldrich, Crystal Daniels, and Amy McKinney



Montvale kindergarten class

Front Row: Jamie McKinney, Yolanda Wilson, Amy Taylor, Avari Wilson, Stacey Lamb, Amanda Stewart, Jacob Davis, Edward Paine, Scott Marshall, Jamie Witt; Second Row: Melvin Leftwich, Chris Brown, T.J. Baumgart, Daniel Long, Jamie Henry, Justin Butler, Kenneth Martin, Chris Wheeler, Derek Hobson, and Brianti McDaniel



incredible Journey

Field trips provided a glimpse of the real world

With Block Scheduling teachers attempted to keep field trips within the 90 minute class period. Mrs. Cheek-Thompson's first semester Sociology class was unable to make their traditional visit to the Nursing Home second semester was able to visit Carriage Hill. After touring the facilities students were treated to samples from the resident's menu. Later a trip to Carder-Tharp Funeral Home included viewing the embalming room, caskets and urns, the crematory and, the hearses. Carder Tharp representative, Dale Robertson, described services available and the importance of grieving as well as personalizing your funeral.

Mrs. Key's Biology II class was unable to make their traditional trip to Smith Mountain Lake. First semester was cancelled because of the weather and second semester because of the early arrival of Mrs. Key's baby.

Mr. Finch was luck when it came to field trips. Mr. Finch feels it, "should be the students decision where to go." His economics class traveled to Sam Moore Furniture to get an idea of how furniture was made. Senior Mary Carter Mason said she was amused when, "they took a normal block of wood and put in a machine and 5 minutes later it turned into a Queen Ann Chair Leg."

The Hi-Y club, sponsored by Mr. Finch, attended M.G.A in Richmond for four days. Junior Carson Overstreet replied she had the most fun when, "they were eating at the Tobacco Company and Ann Burnley Eubank, Katie McMillian and herself placed an ice cube with a fake bug in Emily Rowe's drink." Emily handled it quite well. Despite the laughs, M.G.A taught through experience how the governments of Virginia operates.

Field trips were a way to have fun and learn at the same time. A way to experience what was being discussed in the classroom.

Melissa Murphy



What is that?

Stormi Spicer, Shannon Linton, Jackie Overstreet, and Michelle Hepinstall look a little nauseous in the embalming room at Carder-Tharp Funeral Home on the Sociology field trip. The students were able to dispel a lot of the myths surrounding death.



My Love!

Ryan Stevens admires a heart cut into a tree on the American Studies field trip to Lexington. The students visited the Stonewall Jackson Home, the Marshall Museum at VMI, and the Lee-Washington Museum at Washington and Lee University.



Aren't we pretty!

Front Row: Meredith Reaves, Anne Burnley Eubank, Carson Overstreet; Back Row: Justin Laughlin, James Meyer, Emily Rowe and Katy McMillian(not pictured Emily Allen and Rachel Ross). M.G.A. participants enjoy a semi-formal dance their last night in Richmond.



Listen Up...

Emily Allen gives a speech at the M.G.A. Conference. Emily ran for president of the 95-96 Conference.

What's going on?

Emily Rowe looks like she's having fun talking to a resident at Carriage Hill Nursing Home. She attended the nursing home along with other students in Mrs. Cheek-Thompson's Sociology class.



Say Cheese!

Joey Brown, Barbora Polakova, Emily Rowe, Anne Burnley Eubank, Ryan Stevens, Carson Overstreet, Sarah Landis, Steven Sanderson, Carla Hendrix, Sonya Richburg, Shannon Linton, Ron Vedder, Bobby Phillips pose for a picture on their American Studies field trip. American Studies was eleventh grade history and English combined and taught by Mr. Finch and Mr. Mayberry.

Having Fun!

Greg Harris, William Preston, Bambi Stevens, Neil Roop, David Hylton, Justin Laughlin, and Bobby Phillips are having to much fun on their Economics field trip to Sam Moore Furniture. Economics was added to the Social Studies curriculum second semester.



Time For Change

Block scheduling allowed more time for just about everything in social studies

Social Studies it was exciting . The changes in class length added more time for discussions, and this added life to the classes.

Sociology,an elective,was the study of human relationships.Students developed a sense of their own culture and others.When studing social norms the students were to break a pattern to experience the effect of being devient. P.J.'s and guys wearing dresses were just a few of the things seen.

Freshmen and Sophomores learned about world cultures,past and present.Video's,worksheets,notes, and test guided students through World Studies.

The Juniors focused on U.S. History,especially the college bound students in American Studies,which was a combination of U.S. History and Academic English.Prior to exam time Mr. Finch, Mr. Watt's, and Ms. Waldron's classes competed in order to encourage students to study.

The Seniors spent class periods writing essays and taking notes.Government classes were tough and could get pretty long. Heated debates about presidents,other governments, and the constitution, helped to keep the class alive.

Social Studies required students to think in order to learn.It also required them to think not just remember.

Greta Davis

Nice Dress!

Greg Boyer, and Heather Detamore ask Brian Clark questions as he violates a norm, by wearing a dress for Sociology. Students were asked not just to discuss but experience as well.



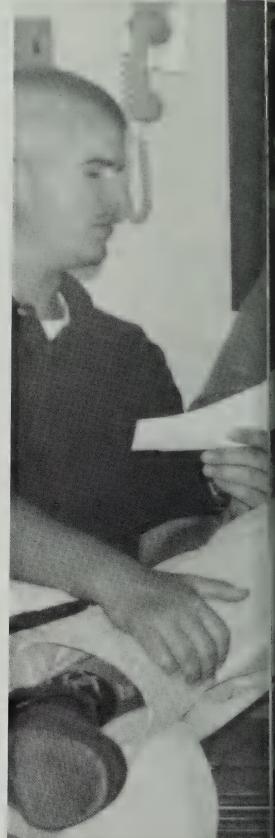
What was the question?

James Goff,April Brown,John Johnson, Frank Leonard, and Darrell Haynes,team up to compete in an exam review. Who says learning can't be fun?



Layed Back!

Mike Pinion,Shannon Walker, and Adrian Lanning, read their parts in American Studies. Each of these students represents a part of the U.S. Government.



Well.....

Lora Rodriguez plays president in American Studies. Students were given different rolls to play,to help understand that the answer to government problems are no simple ones.



Indian Man!
Kevin Godfrey and Ben Shutt express to Mrs. Waldron's History
the different cultures of the past American natives.



Black History

Front Row: Greg Harris,Caleb Jackson,William Preston,April Clark,Yolanda Wilson,Latasha Bryant,Janet Davis,Carolyn Parker,Second Row:David Simpkins,Nakki Price,Yvette Hurt,Kesha Hurt,Katrina Evans,LaShonna Wright,Virginia Wright,Tammy Jones,Third Row:Ivy Thomas,Shirelle Johnson,Dawndrell Haynes,Andrea Copper,Natoya Harris,Lacresha Blake,Jamie Snead,Robin Bryant,Fourth Row:Jeron Harris,C.J. Harris,Paige Hayes,Cassandra Moore,Twanisha Richie,Tiffany Harris.



Hi-Y

First Row:Kara Young,Meredith Reaves,Carson Overstreet,Anne Burnley,Sonya Richburg,Barbara Polakova,Second Row:Justin Laughlin,Corey Key,Delores Waldron,Emily Rowe,Brad Ellis,James Myers,Bobby Phillips,Third Row:Carley Beverly,Kim Whorley,Shree' Coles,Summer Salyer,Racheal Ross,Nick Clark,Ron Vedder,Wendy Hamner,Katie Mc Millian,Erin Brown.



American Indian

Front Row:Larry Morehead,Jason Leipher,David Heffley,Mary Hurt,Jessica Tolley,Mandy Parker,Harley Childress,Second Row:Zack Biggard,Joanne Cauldwell,Pat Sue Tuckett,Heather Cadd,Baily Branch,Adam Babb,Ben Shutt,Third Row:Tracy Dooley,DIXIE Martin,Sharon Moonenhuan,Amber Williams, Kelli Menzel,Matthew Eder,Fourth Row:Tabitha Roberts,Nick Blunkenship,Job Robertson,Shannon Holsten,Crystal Johnson,Fifth Row:Mr Parks,Kathy Martin,Kelly Cuthswell,Angie Russo,Kim Dooley,Sixth Row:Kelly Buchanan,Corey Butrum,Elizabeth Meadows,Andrea McGee,Jamie Mitchell,Seventh Row:Kevin Godfrey,Jenner Leonard,Timothy Heck.



High Tech Vo-Tech

What a Line!!!

Denny Craighead and Scott Marshall watch and learn as Mike Spence uses the mechanical drawer. These students had already taken Technical Drawing before enrolling in Drafting.

Engineering

The Bedford Science and Technology Center (B.S.T.C.), formally known as the Bedford Educational Center (B.E.C.), underwent a small name change in February. The classes, however, remained the same. Students interested in electrical engineering, technology, and drafting attended B.S.T.C. for the most up-to-date technology.

Electrical Trades was designed for students interested in electricity. In electrical labs, students fine tuned their skills in wiring outlets and circuits.

Technology foundations offered students a chance to utilize technology, challenging students to carry out physical experiments the most efficient way possible. Securing eggs for eggdrops and constructing miniature structures out of balsa wood and popcycle sticks were some of the assignments done by the students. These projects tested students' knowledge of how to overcome opposing forces of destruction.

Drafting offered hands-on experience for students pursuing a career in design. B.S.T.C. had the latest computer equipment assisting in precision and accuracy. New technology allowed students to work at a faster pace and fine tune their skills.

Bryan Overstreet



Egg-cellent!!

April St.Clair performs her eggdrop experiment for Technology Foundations. April used her creativity to construct her project.



Shocking!!

Matt Fifer pays close attention in Electrical Trades. It was important to listen carefully so not to get shocked by an electrical wire.



Getting Motor-vated



Vrooom! Vrooom!

Brian Welch looks at an engine to see what needs to be repaired. Fixing motors was greasy but Brian didn't mind getting his hands dirty.

What a fender bender!

Brandon Burks works on a car. Brandon was very skillfull in sanding and applying putty for getting the dings out.



Fill er' up!

Kim Wilson waits for the next car to be serviced. Kim enjoyed fixing cars which made the course easy for her.

Auto Technology

Among the most popular classes offered at B.S.T.C. were those in Auto Technology.

B.S.T.C. was acknowledged to be one of the best facilities in the state of Virginia for their preparation of students in the automotive field.

Auto Service Technology provided the basic skills for servicing cars. Knowing how to inspect and perform minor repairs were some of the requirements for course completion.

Collision Repair Technology was the ideal course for students interested in the complicated process in auto body repair. The application of body filler, body welding, sanding, and spraying primer coats were the required steps taught for body repair.

Small Engine Repair provided students with hands on training in repairing small motors ranging from lawn mower engines to car engines. For proper training, students first learned the components of small motors for a better understanding of a motors operation. After mastering the components, they were first tested with simple projects then progressed toward more complex projects offering a higher level of difficulty.

After these courses were completed, students were qualified for on the job training at area automotive businesses.

Bryan Overstreet

shake that body!

Philip Tuck sands a car down before putting on the primer coat. Auto Body was the perfect class for Philip because of his interest in fixing up cars.

B.S.T.C. 109



Intensive Care Units

Testing In Progress!

Amy Baxter gives a test to a Bedford Elementary School student. Amy's interest in helping children has influenced her plans to attend college and become a teacher.

Health Care

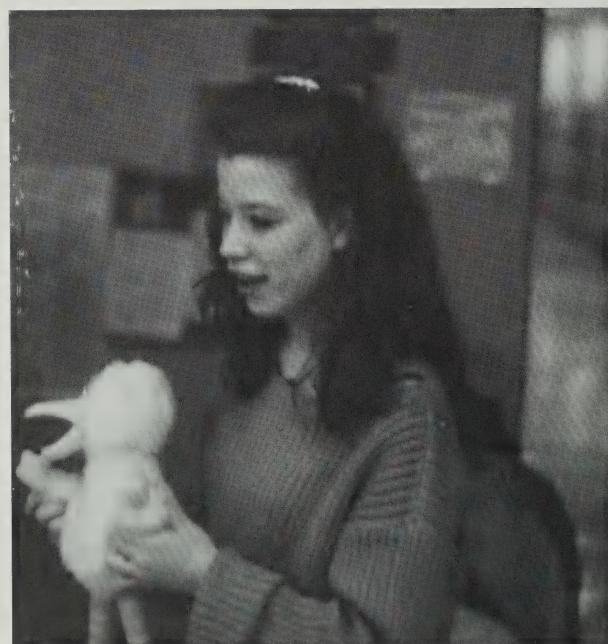
BSTC has one of the best reputations for their on the job placement programs. Anyone enrolled in Health Assistants, Nursing, and Child Care agreed that BSTC offered students the perfect opportunity to be trained in the real world of health care.

Health Assistants offered practical nursing skills for those interested in aiding people in the medical field. The class was based on the orientation of students in the professional environment of nursing and caring.

Nursing, a higher level of Health Assistants, allowed dedicated students to take their training one step further. More complex nursing procedures prepared students for on the job training. After completing the classroom based course, students were able to apply their learned skills in a professional environment at Bedford County Memorial Hospital.

Child Care was also a class taken for on the job experience. "Being able to work with children first hand has helped me decide my career plans before investing in a college education", commented Anna Goshorn, Child Care student. Students interested in teaching children spent their classroom time at local elementary and primary schools to situate themselves in a classroom environment. Students were graded on their ability to work and communicate with children.

Bryan Overstreet



Class meet "Big Bird"!

Melissa Wheat introduces Big Bird, from Sesame Street, to the day care class. Melissa practiced in front of her peers before working with her day care children.

This bone's connected to the...

Karla Goff researches nursing skills or caring for ill people. Karla was one of the interns that was able to work in a hospital environment to gain nursing experience.



Laying Foundations



A hair raising experience!

Linda Howell gets a new hairstyle from a cosmetology student. Linda was one of the many students who attended BSTC to become a certified cosmetologist.

Dug-out Days!

Sean Johnson lays bricks for the baseball dug-outs. Warm and sunny days gave Masonry students the perfect opportunity to work on outdoor projects.



Cutting BLOCKS!

Steve Puckett (far left) and Chris Craig (far right) get ready to build a cabinet with the help of a Staunton River student (middle). Many carpentry assignments required teamwork for speedy and qualitative results.

Cosmotology

Want to learn something permanent? Then cosmetology was the class for you. Make up application was taught for various facial structures and skin tones training students in the proper use of make-up. Students also researched the latest hairstyles and beauty tips necessary for hands on experimentation. Students were trained in a professional salon set up at BSTC with real people for beauty application. After the course was completed, students took a state examination in order to be certified as a licensed beautician.

Masonry and Carpentry

BSTC was also a place for the block. Masonry offered the physical training of block and brick laying. Students were also trained in properly mixing concrete solutions for mortar necessary for construction. The baseball dugouts were some of the assignments that tested the students' brick laying abilities.

Carpentry trained students interested in the design and quality of sculpturing wood. "This class has more advanced equipment than any other professional lumber company around", commented assistant principal of BSTC, Mr. Gehman. Students were first trained in constructing simple projects before progressing in cabinet making.

Bryan Overstreet



Whole New World

When students entered their vocational classes they entered a whole new world

Vocational classes offered students another type of learning. Students had more freedom and less structure than the required classes offered. Vocational classes allowed students more hands-on involvement and required more activity and teamwork than the traditional classes. Because of the variation from their standard schedule, most students enjoyed their vocational class.

Jamie McKinney



Bend and stuff

Pam Heck concentrates as she folds one more letter. The class helped when they were needed.

Roller Derby

Billy Kennedy smiles while he rolls oranges down the sidewalk. FCA sold oranges every year.



Down and Dirty

Sean Johnson helped with the masonry work on the baseball dugouts. Students had different jobs building the dugouts.

Here's Another One

Elliot Phillips and Randall Craighead helped the yearbook staff fold and stuff letters for the senior class. The class enjoyed helping out.





Details!

Doug Schier concentrates on his sketch. Many students found that concentration was an important part of their classes.

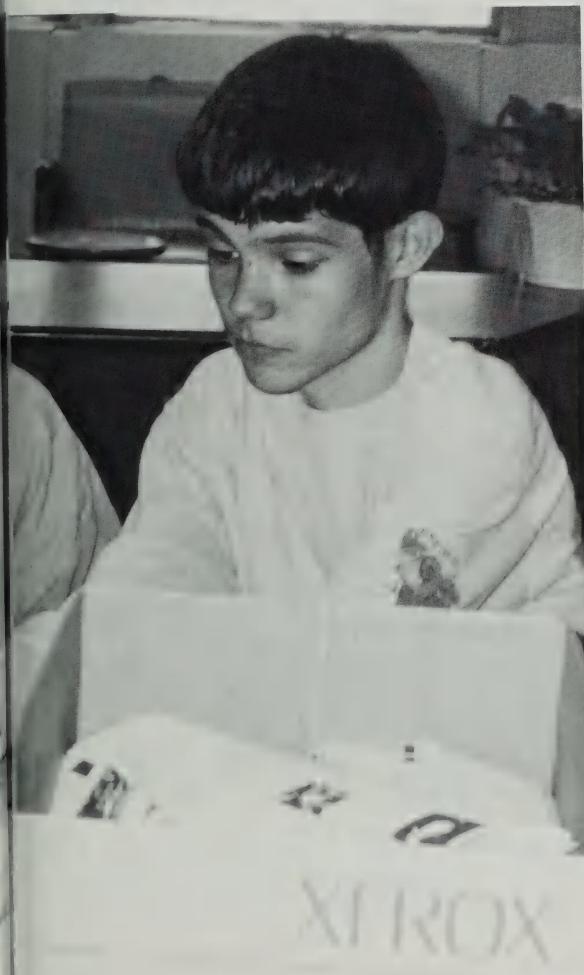


It's Done!

Camala Dawson shows off the cake she baked. A lot of baking was done in the home-ec room.

Now What?

Jason Huffman stares at the computer. Computers were a large part of learning.



The Dust Buster

Lorenzo Tanner conquers the vacuum cleaner. Many students helped with school chores.



Fund Raisin'

Money for a cause

A lot of clubs raised money to support their future activities, but the Future Business Leaders of America had a different idea. The club raised over \$1,200. The top sales person was Heather Dooley. Heather Dooley was a junior who, on March 13th, lost a long battle with cancer. Instead of spending all of their money on club activities they donated \$200 to the Heather Dooley Scholarship Fund, \$200 to Project Ask, and they also made a donation to the American Cancer Society in memory of Heather.

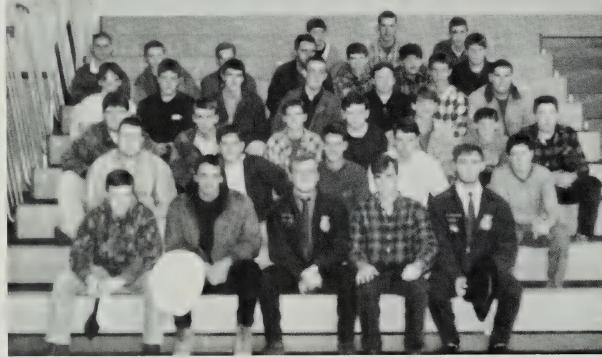
Jamie McKinney

Anytime Now!

FBLA members, Tina Dodd, Barbara Russa, and Tim Gill patiently await the beginning of their competition. Many clubs participated in seminars and competitions.

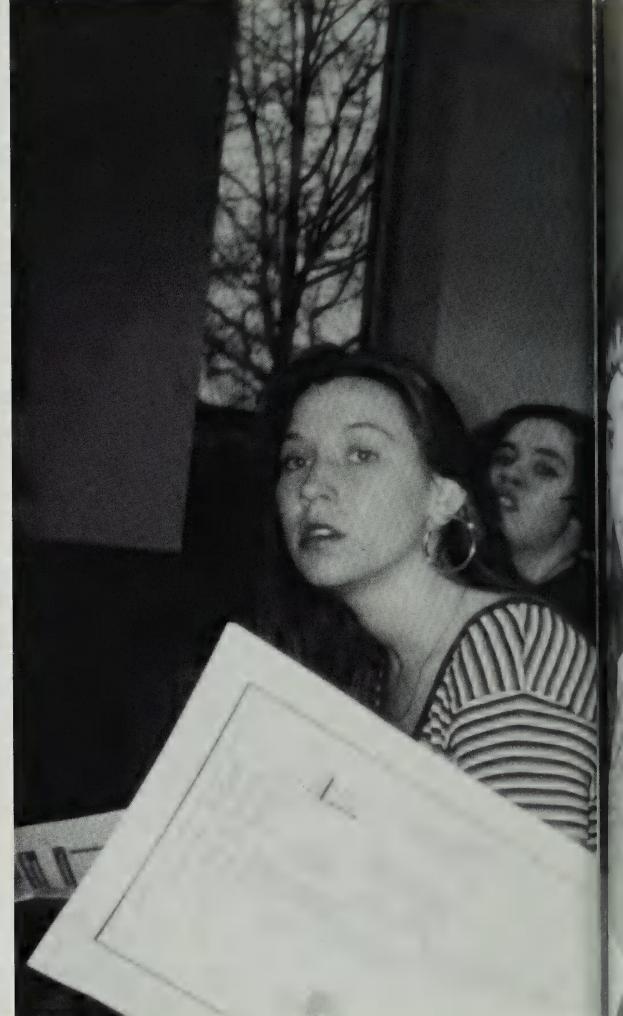
Dinner Time!

DECA members, Jermaine Johnson and Chris Small sit down with sponsor, Mr. Kelso. Eating seems to be a regular part of club activities.



FFA

First row: Frank Leonard, Jeff Board, Johnny Cash, Roy Wheat, Jason Gillenwater. Second row: Mark Crouch, Phillip McKinney, Mike Flowers, Curt Martin, Jason Rector. Third row: Robbie Overstreet, Jason Nicols, Brandon Bennett, David Willowby, Distin McFaddin Jeremy Agee, Aaron Forrester. Fourth row: Charles Dawson, Steve Thomas, Vincent Definbaugh, David Morris, Thomas Boyer, Chris Mayhew, Billy Kennedy. Fifth row: Jeff Creasy, Kevin Burnette, Matthew Parker, Tim Nester, John Johnson, Ralph Meador, Jamie Garden. Sixth row: Jason Blankenship, Tommy Goff, and Josh Grant.



FHA

First row: Nicole Gray, Lisa Carr, Jessica Giggy, Heather Welch, Robin Hartman, Nicole Leprad. Second row: Carrie Bowles, Shelley Booth, Tori Sampson, Nina Wilson, Kelly Goff, Shanda Jackson, Takisha Gilmore. Third row: Jessica Adkins, Christine Schneider, Geraldine Key, Stormy Spicer, Tracy Graham, Dana Orange, and Melissa Amos.



The Keys to Success...

Tim Gill bangs away on the keyboard. The Future Business Leaders of America had a lot of involvement with computers.

FBLA

First row: Tina Dodd, Mandy McKenzie, Amanda Gibson. Second row: Tiffany Klementowski, Jennifer Witt, Yolanda Bannister, Heather Dooley, Karla Goff. Third row: Sponsor Ms. Mason, Josh McGuire, Brandi Jones, Timmy Gill, Michelle Carhart, Tanya Branch, and Sponsors Ms. Gillespie and Ms. Witt.



DECA

First row: Ashley Bower, Bambi Stevens, Jaime Hogan, Summer Hogan. Second row: Jermaine Johnson, Tanya Lowe, Landon Booth, Jeremy Bishop, David Beckwith, Richard petite, Chris Bowles, and Chris Small.

ATSA

First row: John Arnold, Bud Long, Mike Menzel, Mike Schneider. Second row: Mike Croft, Ricky Smelser, Eric McKinney, Kevin Blankenship, and Sponsor, Mr. Boyer.



oly cow!

Cow Leaves Quite An Impression.

For their foreign language students chose from French, German, Spanish and Latin. Students could also get involved in a language club to learn more than just words.

Members of the Junior Classical League (Latin club) held a slave auction. First year students were sold as slaves to older students. This enabled students to understand more about Latin culture.

The French club did community service activities such as adopting a highway. This helped students understand civic responsibility.

"In Spanish club we eat, play games, watch videos and listen to music", said sophomore Denise Kennedy.

German students ate German food and planned guest speakers and community service activities in addition to just learning the words of German. The German class also had an official mascot, Kristopf the cow to help them understand their language better.

Junior Laura Rodriguez said, "I was upset because Kristopf didn't come out to play with fourth and fifth year students."

Being in a foreign language gave students a chance to learn about and appreciate other cultures.

Regan Warner



Look At Me!

Freshman Teddy Clark watches Junior Laura Rodriguez play with her puppet in German class. The German class often did activities with other classes.

Don't Hurt Me!

Toby Markam and Anne Burnley Eubank play games during French class. Teachers tried to plan other activities to reinforce learning.



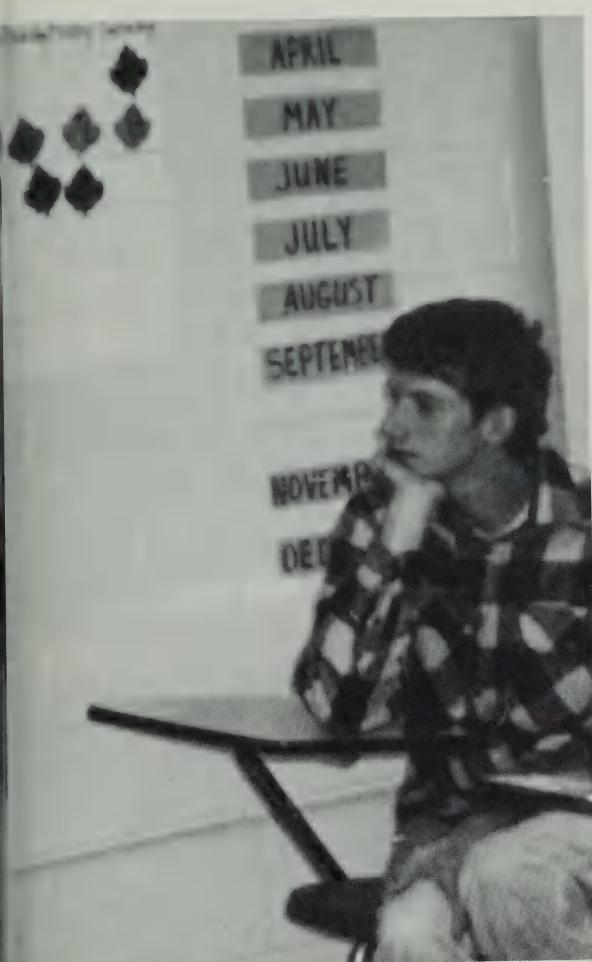
Junior Classical League

Front Row: Sarah Stallard, Sandy Hurt, Brian Clark, Erika Masters, Kristine Price.
Second Row: Wayne Swain, Megan Morris, Heather Arnold, Amy Taylor, Kathy Butler, Patrick Taber, Phillip Davis. Third Row: Aaron Noe, Christine Taylor, Angela Orange, Micheal Goff, Josh Boyd, Jason Gigglio, Susan Dick.



French Club

Front row: Jason Rice, Amanda Pelfrey, Dwayne Barnett, David Hylton. Second row: Dana Barber, Kevyn Boyer, Clarice Quint, Claire Hogan, Patty Karnes, Heather Detamore, Dawndrell Haynes, Cassie Green, Crystal Parker. Third Row: Andy Baxter, Shawn Smith, David Hardy, Sara Abromomowitz, William Weber, Stephen Short, Todd Arnold, Chris Orange and Mandy Garrison.



Duh!

Dwayne Barnett seems stuned during French Club. Every year students elect officers for thier club.



Spanish Club

Front Row: Tonya Johnson, David Layne, Angela Updike, Holly Venhorst, Michelle Baker, Amy Smith. Second Row: Stacey Hatcher, Pamela Wilcher, Christi Hensley, Abby Rielly, Carrie Webster, Melissa Dooley, Becky Salyer, Brandon Sutler, Third Row: Samantha Toler, Danielle Brennan, Shamika Payne, Jon Manly, Chip Hill, Jason Mattocks, Denise Kennedy, Diane Padgett.



German Club

Front: Neal Agee, William Yeager, Kristoff the Cow, Mr. Rappaport, Matthew Dooley. Second Row: Bryan Shepard, Anna Martinez, April St. Clair, Cheerre Lantz, Jamie McKinney and Amy Taylor.



The Three P's

These three clubs participated in praying, prancing, and pinning.

Of all the different clubs offered. Many students choose to participate in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. The club membership ranged from 110-115. Activities such as trash pick-ups, making kits for the battered women shelter, visiting the nursing home and giving out turkeys to the needy at Thanksgiving allowed members to express concern for the community.

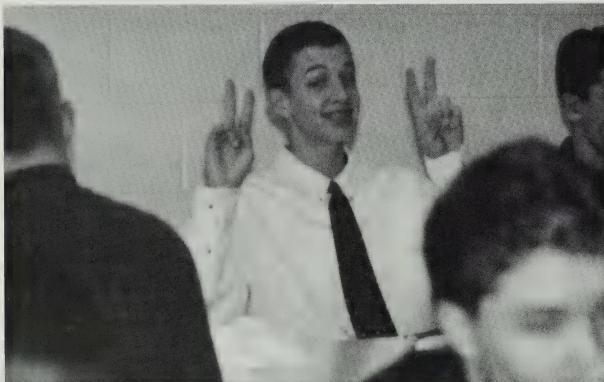
LHS Walkers was a new club offered, by Mrs. Patsy Martin. This club was for those students who liked to exercise their legs and walk a bit.

The Wrestling Club was offered for students who were interested in high-school wrestling. Learning new moves helped new and experienced wrestlers.

Russell Smith

LHS Walkers

Front Row: Jaime Meador, Jaime Wheat, Justin Mayhew, Amy Harris, Lisa Mitchell, Crystal Dixson; Second Row: Kim Woolfolk, Dana Lee, Sarah Anderson, Michelle Stolts, Chris St.Clair, Tommy Heck, Eric Booth, Mrs. Martin, Stephani Johnson, Marissa Staley, Mary Jones; Third Row: Matthew Smith, Jason Purdue, Jon Crenshaw, Dewayne Ruff, Rena Brown, April Overstreet, Matt McCollough, Jeff Skinner



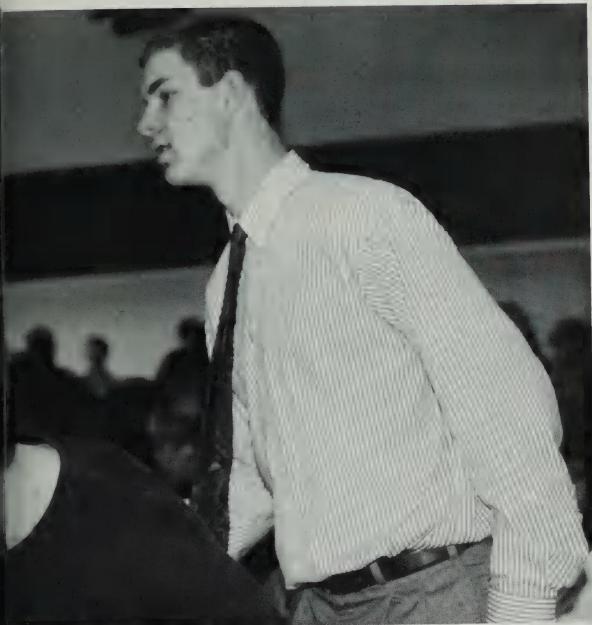
Peace dude

David Long seems to be having fun in a FCA club meeting. Lots of people enjoyed themselves during the meetings.



Wrestling Club

Front Row: Charles Slusser, Chris Gardner, Brad Dinwiddie, Patrick Burks, Chris Andrews; Second Row: Jason Evans, Travis Overstreet, Jeremiah Hambrick, Todd Overstreet, Darren Kardos, Jeremiah Stevens; Third Row: Chris Dooley, Sam Davis, Ricky Creasy, Johnny Divers, Ben Smith, Adam Goshorn, Mike Padgett, Lionel Campbell

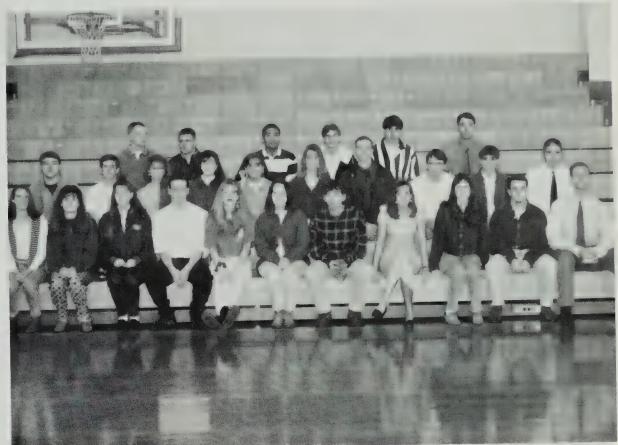


Small-medium-large?

Jason Owens and Brian Long pass out FCA t-shirts during a meeting. Officers often do lots of special activities. Students paid seven dollars for the t-shirts.

Seniors

Front Row: Barbara Divers, Missy Sumner, Jennifer Hefley, CHris Wheeler, Whitney Hogan, Missy Murphy, Stephen Epperly, Mary Carter Mason, Shannon Jurkus, Russell Smith, Brian Long; Second Row: Tim Stanley, Eric DeHart, Desirae Goff, Monica Byers, Carla Meador, Crystal Daniels, Zak St.Clair, Joseph Parker, Chris Blair, Greg Boyer; Third Row: Bo Terry, Toby Markham, Wayne Swain, Micheal Tillman, Chris Gardner, Stephen Shrader



FCA Sophomores

Front Row: Olivia Witt, Tamara Hawkins, Shannon Chadwell, Charlene Morehead, Chris Wiley, Selena Byers, Danielle Wilson, Amanda Saunders, Sarah Blair, Catherine Saunders; Second Row: Kristi Brown, Chris Frost, Andy Fite, Sue Lynn Cowbeck, Allison Overstreet, Jaime Parker, Missy Shepard, Stephanie Papale, Jared Hill; Third Row: Brandon Painter, Stephen Rorer, Henna St.Clair, Amy Overstreet, Holly Jurkus, Shannon Yates, Jason Bryant, Matt Byers

Freshman



e've Got Guts, Cat Guts That IS!

The Guitar Club Plays Loud and Proud

Did you ever want to be a star,
To play a song with a guitar.

And hear the applause when you were done,
But keep in mind that it was all for fun?

The Guitar Club, sponsored by Mr. Steele, allowed students to do just that. Evidently, the word got around that the Guitar Club was the place to be as the number of members shot through the roof. "Hopefully next year I will have a bigger room", commented Mr. Steele.

The club made it easy for new musical artists to reveal their performing talents in guitar, keyboards, and drums. First time club members also had the opportunity to perform in front of an audience that knew what it was like to be in their shoes and who could offer positive encouragement.

And for those with experience,

It was a time to hear,

The music that they played,

To the listening ear,

And even though,

You were just a face in a big crowd,

You still had guts,

Because you played out loud!

Bryan Overstreet

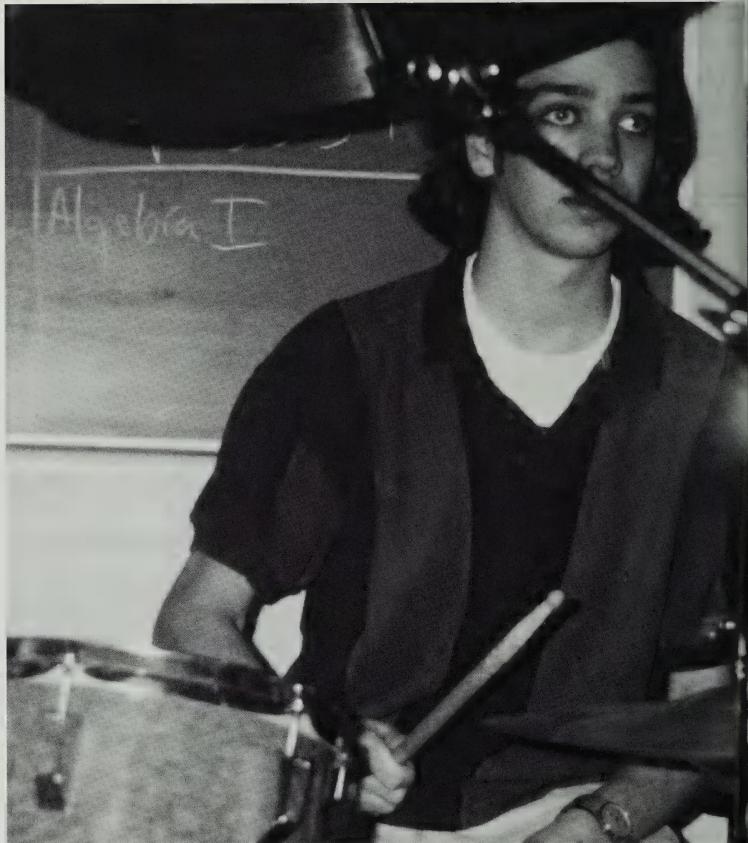
And the beat goes on....

Josh Zimmerman gives club days a new beat. Playing the drums was also a part of the club's activities.



Guitar Club

Front Row - Karla Hendricks, Tiffany Miller, April Hale, Sophie Scruggs, Linda Howell, and Steve Sanderson.
Second Row - Mathew Mitchell, James Lindsay, Gary Dooley, Jay McMillan, Jessica Baty, Walker Wright, Jacob McGlaughlin, Ryan Overstreet, and Elijah Bailey. Third Row - Mr. Steele, David Heller, Nick Reed, Tabatha Welcher, Chris Mahurin, Chad Baker, Brian Carter, Josh Zimmerman, Joe Meadows, Aaron Parker, Casper Schaad, Joey Dooley, Matt Burke, and Josh Fennell.



Music to Our Ears!

Sophie Scruggs and Linda Howell watch and listen to a solo done by David Heller. The guitar club allowed students a chance to show off their talent in music.



he Luck of the Draw

The art department walks away with numerous awards

Paint, Paint, and More Paint

Laura Valarial and Nick Overstreet paint a piece of ceramic art. Laura and Nick worked very hard to submit their work for the art show deadline.



The Bedford County Art Show Winners

First Place

Jason Purdue

Second Place

Laura Valarial

Corinna Miller

Shaunalee Bailey

Third Place

Josh Douglass

Sarah Abranowitz

Shaunalee Bailey

Honorable Mentions

Brian Goff	Travis Wingfield
Danielle Toms	Christy Moss
Aaron Parker	Eric Booth
April St. Clair	Jason Purdue
Jeff Halluer	Deloris Waldron
Brian Trent	Wendy Reynolds
Danny Crouch	Carlye Beverly
Jamie Lindsey	Jason Taylor



That's Mine!

Jason Purdue and Kathy Stevens look at an art display done by Jason. Jason won First Place in the Opaques category.

The Bedford County Public School Art Show was held on Wednesday, May 24 through Saturday, May 27 in the downtown area of Bedford at a location formally known as Johnson's Furniture.

Preparation for the show began at the beginning of the school year as the art club and those enrolled in art started working on their masterpieces. Even though the art show was delayed a week, final preparations proved to be stressful and time consuming. The final week began the "grueling" matting process as each piece of work being entered had to be matted and ready to go before the displaying on Wednesday morning. "I was very proud of my students. They worked very hard", commented Mrs. Jennings, Art Club sponsor.

Even though there were over 400 ribbons given out to the art students of Bedford County, nothing was more rewarding than their feeling of accomplishment.

Bryan Overstreet



Art Club

Front Row - John Doss, Jeb Robertson, Aaron Thompson, Julie Newman, Gwenn Scott, and Robby Hartman. Second Row - Josh Douglass, William Drew, James Roberts, Tim Saunders, Jason Phelps, Brook Patterson, Donald Lowry, April Brown, and Teonna Callahan. Back Row - Jessica Andrews, Olivia Burnett, Travis Wingfield, Danny Crouch, Dustin Bennett, Tara Jones, Heather Kirk, Emily Wilson, and Paul Guy.



ARCHING ON

Regardless of the summer heat, the band members kept marching on until their formation was perfect

It was a hot August morning when 74 members of the band and flag team, and one band director rolled out of bed and stumbled into the shower. They rushed through breakfast and dressed as quickly as they could. They had to be at Bedford Middle School at 8:30 A.M. They had band practice. When everyone finally arrived and staggered onto the field Mrs. Ramsey gave the signal to start. Although the band members knew their music and the flag team knew their routine, no one knew where they were going. The second day about six people knew what they were doing. The third day everyone knew their general direction. By the fourth and fifth day everyone knew where they were supposed to be, whether they got there or not. Mrs. Ramsey was pleased with their progress and she gave a secret smile. Then she said, "That was better but it's not good enough yet. We will have practice twice a week until school starts, then it's three times a week. Let's go through it one more time." The band members sighed, picked up their instruments and flags, and took their places on the field. The bands' practice allowed them to win over 40 awards during the marching band season.

Jamie McKinney



Steady!

Sarah Saunders steadies herself while trying to concentrate on her next move. The bands' theme was British.



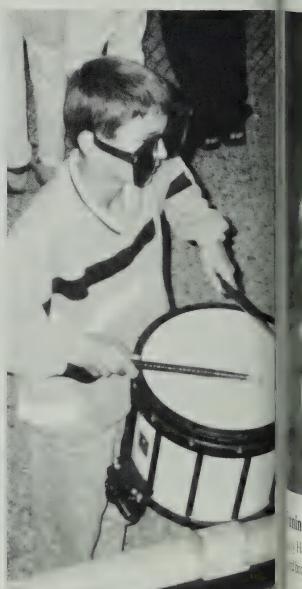
Now What?

Chris Robey and Ben Smith concentrate on playing the drums. The drums were a big part of the band.



Little Drummer Boy

Walker Wright plays with the drums during the football game. Most band members watched the game until they had to perform at halftime.





ATTENTION!

Mike Tillman and Adrian Lanning stand at attention ready to play. The band played well and looked great when everyone was in place.

Goofing Off

Ben Smith, Ryan Overstreet, Nikki Reynolds, and Faith Martin show their school spirit. The band members were full of spirit.



Tuning Up!

Tacy Hatcher tunes up her saxophone before the pep rally. With their music, the band brought more spirit to the pep rallies.

Is This Right?

Andria Robertson makes sure all the props are in place for the flag team. Props and costumes were a large part of the bands performance.

Do It Again!

**One More Time And Then We'll
Be Done.**

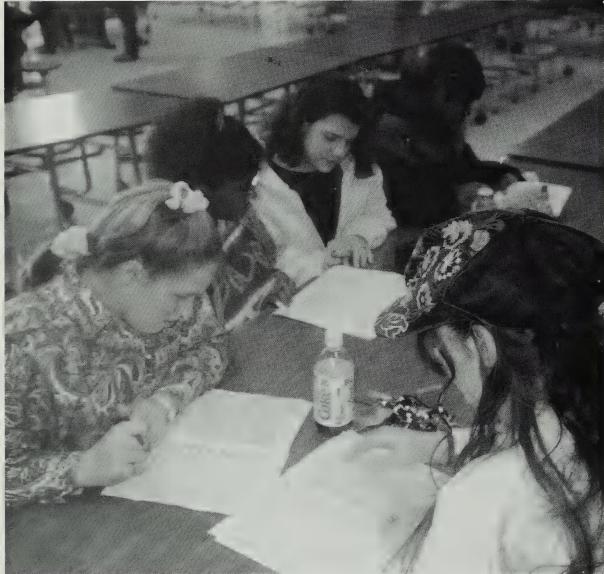
Practice! Practice! Practice! If you were in concert band or chorus, these were familiar words. Both concert band and chorus met everyday during school. Block scheduling allowed for more class time, so less time was spent practicing after school.

In concert band, students learned about different composers and to appreciate different types of music. They attended competition festivals to evaluate their hours of practice. Lost point to swinging feet caused everyone to have to wear black tights or black pants while performing.

"The best part about being in concert band was going on the ski trip and seeing everyone try to ski", said Nikki Reynolds.

The chorus did many benefits and charity shows. Harmony also sung at the unveiling of the D-Day Memorial. Being in chorus meant gaining an appreciation for all types of music. Chorus sang in four part harmony and sang for many churches, elementary schools, and rest homes, as well as singing for family members.

Regan Warner



How does this part go?

Charlotte Welch, Bridgette Hobson, Mandy Parker, Nakki Price, Melissa Kennedy and Amanda Key look at music for All District Choir. Many of the songs students were asked to audition were complicated four part harmony.



Squeak!

Jeremy Gardner practices one last time before he goes on stage. Being in band means many hours practicing and intense concentration.

Sing it loud!

Harmony Choir sings the National Anthem at the Special Olympics Parade. Back Row: Courtney Hickey, Janell Mayhew, Crystal Johnson, Mandy Parker, Brooke Patterson, John Stone, Rick Burks, Jeanette Kenny, Jamie Snow; Front Row: Amy Smith, Sonya Richburg, Angie Rizzo, Crystal Dixon, Tina Dodd, Missy Panthoha, Dawndrell Hayes, and studnet director: Shannon Eller



One and Two and Three

Meredith Reaves directs the band during class. Somedays students got a chance to be on the other side of the stand.



Ta Da!

The Concert band puts some finishing touches on a piece before a festival at Virginia Tech. Students pictured are Kristine Price, Julia Mays, Pam Wilcher, Abby Rielly, Adrian Biggio, Shelly Tillman, Krissy Dellis, Aaron Noe and Stacey Hatcher. Front Row: Wayne Swain

Is it time yet?

Micheal Tillman and Blake Burks relax before a festival. Performing and being judged causes many students to get very nervous.

Regional Band

Kim Dellis
Wayne Swain
Joel Morgan
Kristine Price
Kristi Hensley
Nicole Gray
Erika Masters
Stacey Hatcher
Julia Mays
Melissa Smith



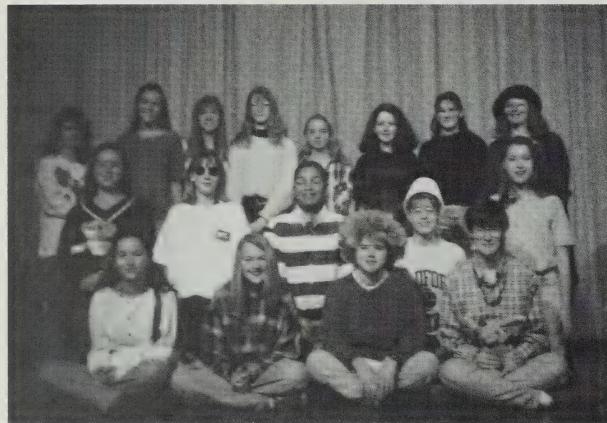
ridge to what? Terabithia

It all began with nerve-racking try-outs, followed by countless rehearsals, and the long hours and hard work of building the set. The emotions felt during these moments could not compare with those felt on opening night. With sweaty palms and heads filled with 'What If's' the actors took their places on the stage. As if the audience was not there the students said their lines loudly and clearly just the way they had rehearsed. When the play was over the actors and the crew met in the band room along with members from the audience for signatures and congratulations. The 20 hours of free instruction on the lighting, the assistance of Mark Bagley from the Sound Department of Liberty University, and the hours put toward advertising had paid off. With a few obstacles, the day they had worked so hard for was a success, and there were no broken legs, just a pulled muscle.

Jamie McKinney

Tiebreaker

Amanda Pelfrey takes a break to tie her shoelaces. Amanda played the part of Brenda Aarons.



Drama Club

First row: Jessica Baty, Nikki Reynolds, Amanda Pelfry, Jeannette Kenny Second row: Melissa Kennedy, Crystal Rettinghaus, Wayne Swain, Christina Hale, Emmy Weber Third row: Kathy Butler, Leah Raintree, Angela Martin, Katelyn Warner, Jamie Mitchell, Meagan Johnson, Andrea Mcgee, and Sponsor Patsy Martin.

Veggin' Out

Michelle Laughlin, John Snow, Kathy Butler, Monica Fernandez, Matt Spence, and Robbie Robertson take a break during practice. A show such as this required many long rehearsals.

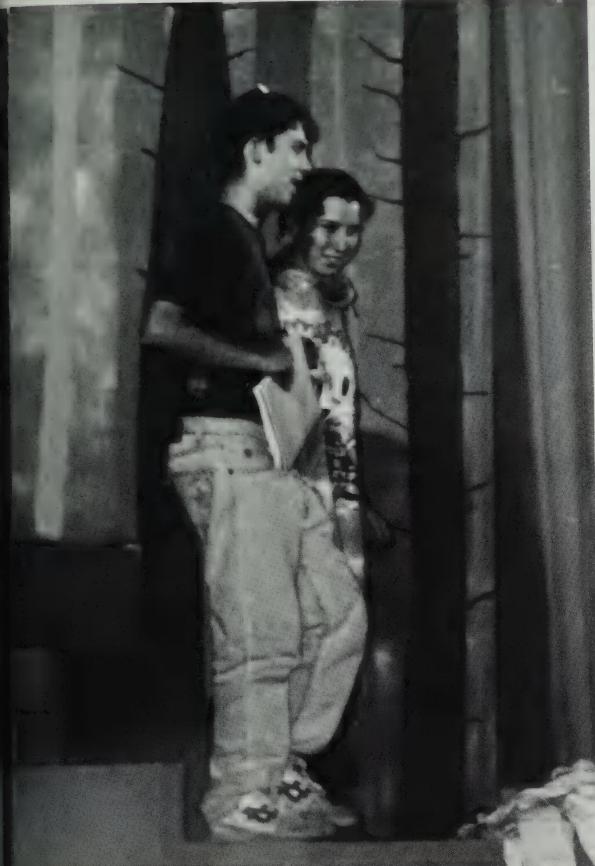
Stars of the Show

Gary Dooley and Tina Dodd rehearse their parts for the play. They were the lead actor and actress..



CAST

Jesse Aarons Gary Dooley
Leslie Burks Tina Dodd
May Belle Aarons. . Nikki Reynolds
Brenda Aarons. Amanda Pelfrey
Mrs. Aarons Jeannette Kenny
Mr. Aarons Robbie Robertson
Janice Avery Nakki Price
Ms. Edmunds. Christine Taylor
Gary Fulcher Wayne Swain
Billy Jean. Amanda Ward
Bobby Sue. Monica Fernandez
Wilma Tiffany Klementowski
Lynn. Rebecca Ward
Derrik John Snow
Calvin Matt Spencer
Prince Terrien Tucker Kenny



Staged

Robbie Robertson, Christina Hale, Nikki Reynolds, Gary Dooley, Mandy Parker, Nakki Price, and Tina Dodd are sick of all the rehearsals. On opening night they were thankful for the long hours of practicing.

Stand-in?

Tina Dodd practices her lines with Melissa Kennedy. When it came to memorizing lines it didn't matter who you were saying them to as long as they were right.

Fake Family

Jeannette Kenny, who played the part of Mrs. Aaron, sets the table for her fake family while her pretend children, Amanda Pelfrey, Gary Dooley and Nikki Reynolds, watch.



inety Minutes of Play

Time spent becoming physically and mentally fit

The Block Scheduling allowed students to get into an intense games of basketball, badminton or whatever was the sport of the day. Freshmen Rick Burks and Janelle Mayhew commented respectively that P.E. ranged from playing basketball to walking the track. Thanks to block scheduling less time was wasted dressing out and more time was spent conditioning your body. Extra time was allotted to dress out and get hair and make-up back in order after class.

According to some 90 minutes of health got boring. However, sophomores did not complain about drivers' education. They were all anxiously awaiting for their sixteenth birthday and their drivers' licenses.

For those who were interested in getting in shape or putting on a little extra muscle mass, a new conditioning class was offered. The class focused on weight lifting, flexibility, and running.

Kristi Brown

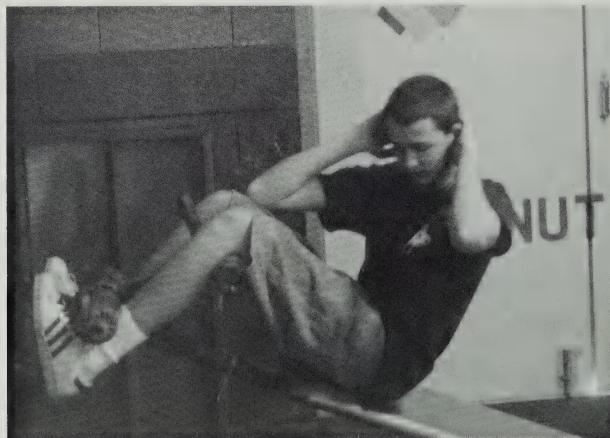


Sliding friction

Krissy Dellis and Yvette Hurt laugh as they slide a frisbee back and forth. Students create their own fun inside when it gets to cold to go outside.

Just one more

John Crenshaw spends his 90 minutes working out in the weight room. The weight room is a option for students who want to shape up their muscles.



Time out

David Hylton takes a minute to contemplate what he wants to do next. Students have a multitude of activities to choose from.



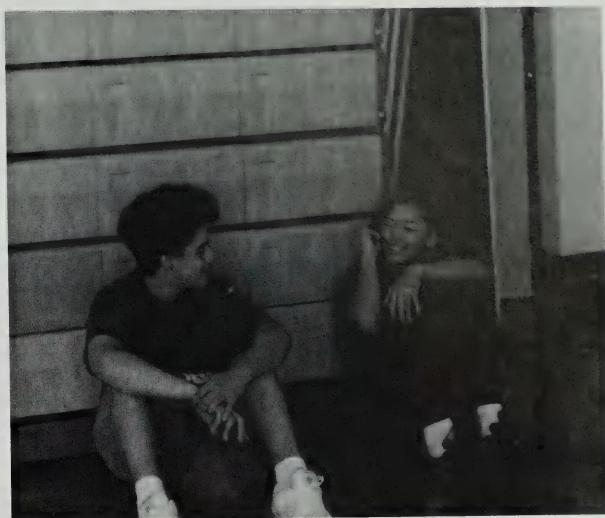


Pumped up

Sam Leftwich throws the weight up as Angie Rizzo and Patty Karnes look on and John Crenshaw spots him. Spotters are needed when you are going to be lifting a lot of weight.

No way

Danielle Spinner giggles at the secret Brian Kirkland tells her. Many students enjoy P. E. because it is time they can spend with their friends.



Concentrate

Robin Hartman focuses on the basket hoping to make the shot. Basketball was a popular choice among the students.

Shoot it

Mike Padgett, Kenneth Martin, Bo Terry and Darrel Hines are getting into their game of basketball. Advanced P. E. and regular P. E. share the gym facilities.



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Hustle!

Zack White runs hard to the finish line. As a freshman Zack advanced to regionals in the $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.

Top picture

Get it up girls!

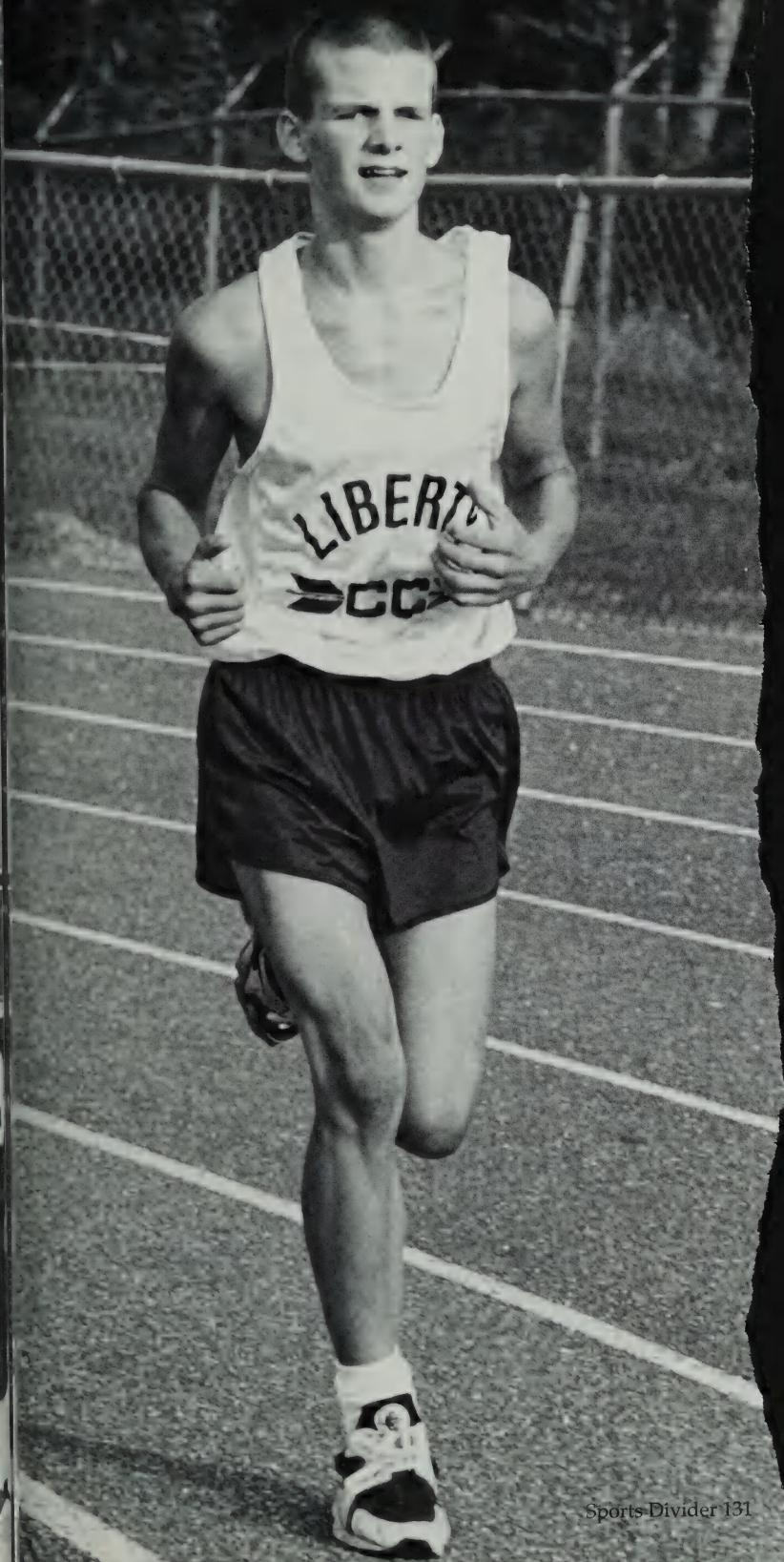
Adrian Biggio, Ellen Shrader and Shelley Boyer look to be in shock as coach Boyer calls out a play. The J.V. teams help the players prepare for varsity.

Bottom picture

Step it up!

Dewayne Butler, Chip Hill, Arron Noe and Andy Fite listen as Steve Wright tries to pump them up in the defensive huddle. Playing emotionally often helps a team capture a victory.





TAKING CONTROL

After finishing third in the district the Minettes clinched the District Tournament Championship

"Get in the game...get it...go!" echoed through the gym as fans cheered on the Minettes. An 18-6 season record, and a district tournament title gave the fans a lot to cheer about.

Camp gave the girls, "an idea of what their season would be like," commented senior Shannon Jurkus. The team woke up around 8:00 a.m and played up to four games a day. "Camp helped us get a feel for what each person could do to help us as a team," said Kellea Whorley.

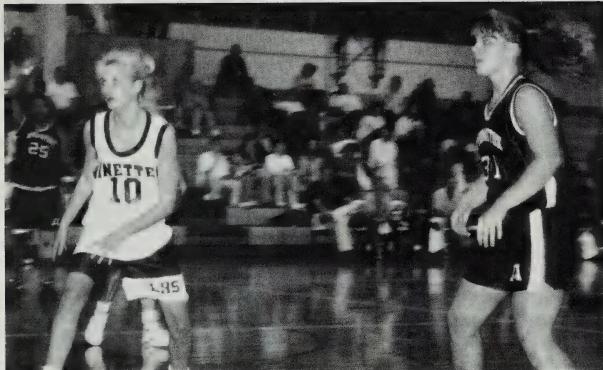
The District Tournament was held at the Liberty University Vine Center for the first time. They began with a win over Staunton River, then slid by William Campbell in double overtime. A win over Amherst clinched the Seminole District Tournament and secured their spot in the Region III Tournament.

The Region III Tournament was held at Magna Vista High School. Their first game was against William Byrd. Having defeated the Terriers in a pre-season scrimmage the Minettes were optimistic. As the game progressed optimism was replaced by frustration and then disappointment.

Missy Murphy

"We Are The Champions!"

The Minettes celebrate their District Title. This was a victory worth waiting for. Front Row: Tamara Hawkins, Catherine Saunders, Amy Baxter, Danielle Wilson. Back Row: Mr. Grant, Laura Rodriguez, Sue Lynn Cowlbeck, Felicia Miller, Charity Bryant, Shannon Jurkus, Amanda Saunders, Kellea Whorley, Stephanie Biggs, Selena Byers, Mr. Boyer, Chris Wiley, and Mrs. Turpin.



Where's the ball?

Kellea Whorley looks determined playing defense against Appomattox. Kellea averaged 9.8 points a game.

Awards

All District

First Team-Sue Lynn Cowlbeck

Honorable Mention

Amy Baxter, Shannon Jurkus, Felicia Miller, Kellea Whorley

Team Awards

MVP- Sue Lynn Cowlbeck

Leadership- Shannon Jurkus

Assists- Amy Baxter



Up Up and Away...

Amy Baxter goes up for a lay-up. She was awarded for having the most assists on the team.



Sink it Shan-n sink it!

Shannon Jurkus shoots for a three pointer. Shannon averaged 9.1 points a game.

I Got It !!

Sue Lynn Cowlbeck goes up for a rebound with the help of Felicia Miller. Sue Lynn was voted MVP of the team and also All-District First Team. Felicia was awarded All-District Honorable Mention.



Varsity Girls' Basketball:

Front Row: Karla Goff, Shannon Jurkus, Kellea Whorley, Sue Lynn Cowlbeck, Amy Baxter. Back Row: Coach Sheila Turpin, Charity Bryant, Catherine Saunders, Stephanie Biggs, Felicia Miller, Laura Rodriguez, and Coach David Grant.

Scoreboard

Liberty	Opponent	Liberty	Opponent
55	Brookville	47	80
41	William Campbell	42	49
73	Buckingham	12	57
80	Altavista	30	59
41	Staunton River	44	50
53	Nelson County	46	48
45	Jefferson Forest	49	50
49	Amherst	39	51
68	Rustburg	44	63
53	Appomattox	43	53
60	Brookville	53	46
54	William Campbell	64	31

Season Record: 18-6

Close Is Not Enough

The team ended the season ahead of most but just short of their dream

"It was a success but not satisfying," commented quarterback Mike Padgett. A 6-4 season record did not give the team a playoff birth. With losses to Jefferson Forest, Rustburg and most importantly Amherst diminished any hope of a playoff birth. Even though the team lost a heartbreaking 10-7 game to Amherst, they still took pride in holding the number one offense in the state scoreless until minutes to go in the fourth quarter.

"The highpoint of the season was not particularly one game but our improvement throughout the season," stated Coach Scharnus. After two consecutive losses the team battled back to win four in a row.

There were many close games throughout the season. Close seemed to describe more than just a few games.

Russell Smith

Time Out

Tim Stanley takes time out to fix his mouthpiece. Tim was an important player on offense and defense.



Ouch!

J.J. Coles grimaces in pain as the athletic trainer checks his ankle. Injuries in key positions plagued a team lacking depth. Dr. Heuber, a local physician donated his time to the team.

Come on Guys!

Mike Padgett roots for his defense as he waits for his turn on offense. Mike broke the school record in passing yardage throwing for 1,844 yards.

AWARDS

Mike Padgett- MVP, All-Times Land, All-District, All-Region, Second Team All-State Quarterback, Friday Football Extra Player of the Week. **Gregg Reynolds**- Offensive Back, All-Times Land Receiver, All-District, All-Region, Second Team All-State Receiver And All-District Defensive Back; **Doug Overstreet**- Most Improved; **Ryan Stevens**- Defensive Back, Honorable Mention Linebacker. **Chris Gardner**- Offensive Lineman, Honorable Mention Defensive End, Honorable Mention Guard; **J.J. Coles**- All District 2nd team Receiver. **Tim Stanley**- Honorable Mention Offensive Tackle. **Johnny Cash**- Honorable Mention Tight End; **Lionell Campbell**- Honorable Mention Nose Guard





Whatta move!

Gregg Reynolds puts a nice move on a Nelson County defender. Gregg lead the team in receiving with 47 catches for 805 yards.

Hats Off

Eric DeHart tips his hat to his teammates. Team members often cheered there team to victory.



Varsity Football

Front Row: Chris Thompson, Marvin Harris, Mike Padgett, Russell Smith, Fred Oliver, Ryan Stevens, Corey Gilmore, Gregg Reynolds, Harley Childress; Second Row: Robert Carson, Dewayne Butler, Chris Ridgeway, Gary Staples, Jason Owens, Bo Terry, Joseph Parker, Tim Parker, Charles Hamilton; Third Row: Tim Stanely, Doug Overstreet, Curt Martin, Toby Markham, Chris Gardner, Eric Keeling, Billy Kennedy, Steve Short, Joseph Payne; Fourth Row: Coach Andrew Kelso, Coach Chris Watts, Coach Stewart Grant, Lionell Campbell, Will Cayton, Corey Key, Travis Overstreet, Johnny Cash, Coach Scott Craig, Coach Lawrence Williams, and Coach Mike Scharnus

Scoreboard

Opponent	Score
Brookville	Forfeit
William Campbell	21
Buckingham	19
Altavista	12
Staunton River	24
Nelson	6
Jefferson Forest	26
Amherst	10
Rustburg	47
Appomattox	7

Season Record 6-4

The Spirit of Liberty

Although the cheerleaders lacked crowd support they were always ready to cheer the team on

"Hey, do we have practice today?"

"Of course, we've got to work on the hoop."

"The hoop! No not again. I am so sick of that thing."

"Yeah, me to, but it will be finished before we know it."

"Gosh I hope so. Well I guess I will see you there. Oh don't forget your glue."

"Oh yeah, thanks for reminding me. See you later."

After two months, thirty bottles of glue, a ton of tissue paper, and five broken nails the infamous hoop was finally finished. The girls voted to continue to do the hoop, little did they know what they were getting into. Preparations began in August, and the hoop was finally completed Homecoming Day. When asked if she would continue to do the hoop, sponsor Jami Key said, "Probably, since it is a tradition."

In addition to the hoop, the cheerleaders also had to plan the pep rally. The traditional Mr. LHS, the spirit yell, and a new skit "Kiss Your Mama" were included.

While the football cheerleaders were concentrating hard on the hoop the girls' basketball cheerleaders were practicing hard to perfect their stunts and cheers for their games. The basketball cheerleaders had to use their practice time wisely since they had twice as many games to plan for.

The cheerleaders also had to deal with the ground bound rule. In 1993 the Seminole district voted not to allow cheerleaders to do stunts. The cheerleaders were unable to go away to camp, but they had a productive camp at Liberty taught by former cheerleaders. Most of the cheerleaders enjoyed the camp, but they were disappointed when they learned they were not ground bound and they could have attended camp at Lynchburg College.

Although the cheerleaders had to face some obstacles, they still kept smiles on their faces and their spirits high. Through victory or defeat they remained the Spirit of Liberty!!

Mary Carter Mason



Varsity Football Cheerleaders

Front Row: Mary Carter Mason, Olivia Witt (Mascot), Crystal Daniels (Captain); Middle Row: Lisa Ashworth, Emily Allen (Co-Captain), Jennifer Parker, Charlene Morehead; Back Row: Cheerre Lantz, Carla Meador, and Whitney Hogan.



Varsity Girls' Basketball Cheerleaders

Front Row: Angela Hatcher, Missy Murphy (Captain), Sara Anderson (Co-Captain); Back Row: Shannon Chadwell, Kara Young, Amy Overstreet, and Sara Blair.



Wow-Look at that!

Emily Allen, Charlene Morehead, Lisa Ashworth, Carla Meador, Olivia Witt, and Cheerre Lantz watch the band during half time . The cheerleaders are wearing the new Go Blue tattoos they sold as a fundraiser.

Steady now don't move

Shannon Chadwell, Missy Murphy, Kara Young (bottom row). Angela Hatcher, Sara Anderson (second row), Sara Blair (top), and Amy Overstreet (back) perfect a stunt at the girls basketball game. They practiced hard to perfect stunts like this.



How much longer?

Crystal Daniels, Carla Meador, Emily Allen, and Cheerre Lantz work diligently on the Homecoming hoop. The hoop has become a tradition over the years.

Practice makes perfect!

Shannon Chadwell, Sara Blair, Amy Overstreet, Missy Murphy, and Sara Anderson practice before a game. Sometimes the afternoon practices just weren't enough.

Miles of Obstacles

Swarms of bees and mud slides added to the difficulty of already challenging courses

Nine new members quickly learned that Cross Country was not a piece of cake. Hard work and dedication was needed just to cross the finish line. The never ending road runs and sprints to find colored markers prepared the team for an arduous season.

Nine of the eleven meets were away and every course was different. Planned obstacles like creeks and hills made each course challenging. Surprises like swarms of bees and mud slides taught the team to pack together for support and encouragement. Consistent improvement followed.

"There was more improvement than I have ever seen before," said Coach Eckes.

Cross Country was not all work without play. The bus trips gave the team time to develop friendships and enjoy being together. They spent the hours on the road sleeping, finding out about the latest gossip or creatively earning points towards their letter by coming up with a Cross Country rap.

Kristi Brown

Cross Country team:

Front row: Shelley Tillman, Jennifer Hefley, Barbara Divers, Kristi Brown, Missy Sumner. Middle row: Athena Krantz, Sandy Hurt, Leah Raintree, Angela Martin, Stephani Ferrufino, Meagan Cox. Back row: Chris Blair, Dwayne Barnett, Eric Arrington, Tim Laughlin, Jason Taylor, Zack White, and Coach Eckes.

Pack it together girls

Passing a Forest girl, Jennifer Hefley, Shelley Tillman, Kristi Brown, Sandy Hurt and Leah Raintree stick together. The beginning of the race is always tight but everyone eventually sets their own pace.

Girls' Awards

District Meet-7th

Captain

Missy Sumner

Coaches Award

Barbara Divers

Most Improved

Kristi Brown

Boys' Awards

District Meet-7th

Captain

Chris Blair

Coaches Award

Dwayne Barnett

Most Improved

Eric Arrington



Give me that stick!

Barbara Divers reaches for her placement stick as she crosses the finish line.

Barbara received the Coaches' Award at the end of the season.





Are you ready?

Dwayne Barnett, Chris Blair, Eric Arrington, Tim Laughlin and Jason Taylor wish each other a final good luck before the race begins. It took a lot of encouragement to make it up "Cardiac Crest" and through the swarms of bees.



Stretch Missy

Missy Sumner has fun stretching while Leah Raintree and Angie Martin carry on a conversation. Missy, as well as others, are known for their ability to talk and stretch at the same time.

I think I can...

Dwayne Barnett concentrates on working it up the hill. Dwayne placed first in the Rockbridge Invitational.

Just A Swingin'

Good attitudes keep the golfers swinging

Many people see golf as a slow moving, relaxing game, but to the golf team, it was a lot of hard work and sweat. The golfers practiced at the Bedford Country Club beginning in August. Despite the discouraging heat and long hours, most of the guys agree it was a fulfilling experience.

Steven Epperly commented, "It was a good opportunity to work on my game and see friends from other schools."

Even though the team practiced hard, a winning season just wasn't in the cards.

When asked to sum up the season, Lee Fisher replied, "It was heartbreaking, we lost some by a few strokes."

The season did have a few shining moments. Lee Fisher and Andy Baxter, both juniors advanced to the Region III Tournament.

Andy Baxter remembers, "The funniest thing that happened was when Epp (Steven Epperly) backed into a tree at the club after practice."

Despite a disappointing season, the team's rapport was good and memories were made.

Lora Campbell

I think I can!

Lee Fisher concentrates on the ball. Lee's game greatly improved during his third year on the team.



Take Five!

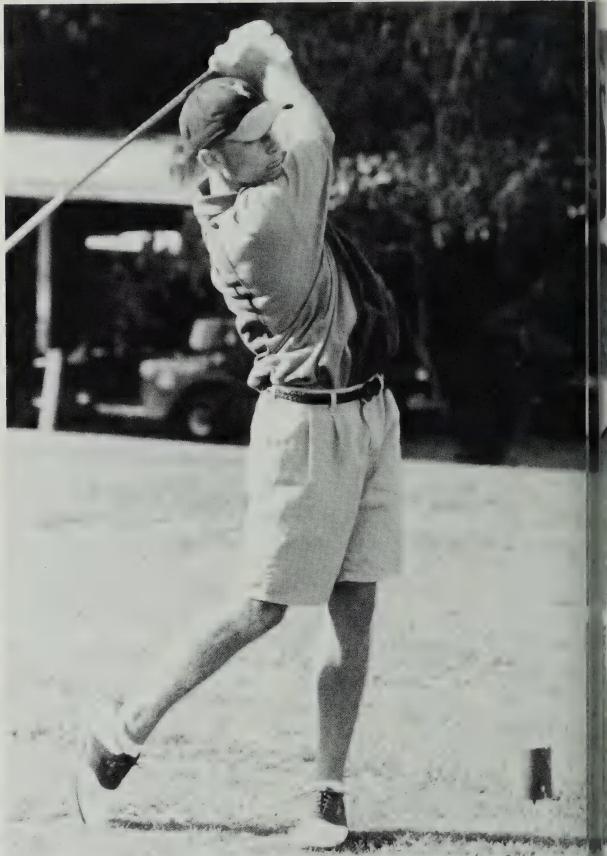
Terrel Mack and Steven Shrader catch some rays during practice. Many of the younger players benefited from the shared wisdom of the older guys.

Scoreboard

Liberty	Opponent	
172	Rustburg	179
173	Appomatox	144
173	Amherst	152
173	Buckingham	204
173	Wm. Campbell	201
161	Nelson	203
161	Altavista	201
173	Brookville	148
165	J. Forest	164
165	S. River	193

Low Score Wins

Season Record 6-4



Golf Team:

Steven Shrader, Greg Boyer, Steven Epperly, Lee Fisher, Andy Baxter, and Shannon Walker. Not pictured: Bobby Vanhorne and Terrel Mack.

Frustration and Determination

Although the J.V. Cheerleaders experienced much frustration they were determined to be the best they could be



The Junior Varsity Cheerleaders had a unique season. Youth and inexperience led to hard practices and frustration.

The girls attended camp with the Varsity. With half of the girls cheering for the first time camp provided the basic and it improved the squad as a whole.

Practice, which began in August, consisted of stretching, working on cheers, building stunts, and something new Ms. Martin introduced called the jump circle. This was a creative way to learn new jumps and perfect old ones. The squad would stand in a circle and choose one particular jump to work on, and they would practice it for fifteen or twenty minutes. Both squads began practicing once a week, and then went to one practice per week at the end of the season.

The J.V. cheerleaders experienced frustration and criticism. They did their best to overcome by going to camp, practicing hard, and cheering the team on.

Mary Carter Mason

Taking a Break

Missy Shepherd takes a break during half time of a J.V. football game. The boosters provide drinks for the cheerleaders during half time of all sporting events.

Go Minettes!

Amy Taylor, Melessa Pantoja, Allison Overstreet, Linda Booth, and Rebecca Saylor cheer the girls on during half time. Whether the girls are winning or losing the cheerleaders showed lots of spirit.



J.V. Girls' Basketball Cheerleaders

Front Row: Melissa Pantoja, Rebecca Salyer, Linda Booth; Back Row: Allison Overstreet, and Amy Taylor



J.V. Football Cheerleaders

Front Row: Tammy Goff; Middle Row: Samantha Toler, Angie Layne, Missy Sheperd; and Back Row: Tonya Johnson

Shooting High

A season of highs and lows ends with a feeling of success

"Considering the limited playing time of returning players and lack of scoring returning, the season was a success," said J.V. basketball coach, Bill Boyer.

The team experienced a lot of obstacles throughout the season. Almost empty bleachers indicated a lack of support. Practice also proved to be a weakness. "Our season could have been better if we had practiced a little harder," said Selena Byers, one of the four sophomores on the team.

Unity and effort helped the team overcome obstacles. Close wins, like the victory over Appomattox in overtime, set spirits high and gave the team a stronger will to win.

Greta Davis

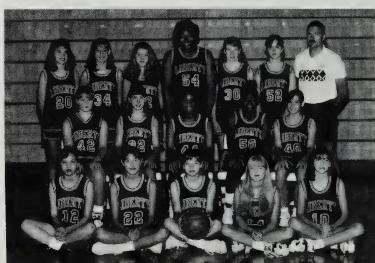
Come Back!

Chris Wiley reaches for the ball, as an opponent guards her. Chris was a starter and one of the leading scorers.



Granny Shot!

Amanda Saunders concentrates on shooting a lay up. Amanda was a starting point guard.



J.V. Girls' Basketball

Front Row: Ashley Robertson, Amanda Noell, Adriane Biggio, Amanda Saunders, Shelly Boyer; Second Row: Tamara Hawkins, Ellen Shrader, Ugemia Miller, Valarie Evans, Cherie Nunley; Third Row: Danielle Wilson, Selena Byers, Chris Wiley, Teona Callahan, Amy Lawson, Shannon Bryant, and Coach Bill Boyer.



Scoreboard

Opponent	Scoreboard
Brookville	23
William Campbell	48
Buckingham	46
Altavista	41
Staunton River	25
Nelson	35
Jefferson Forest	20
Amherst	27
Rustburg	36
Appomatox	4
Brookville	29
William Campbell	50
Buckingham	42
Altavista	30
Staunton River	25
Nelson	40
Jefferson Forest	26
Amherst	27
Rustburg	46
Appomatox	50
Season Record 11-9	40

Getting Low

The J.V. team had to get down and physical when times were rough



Lack of experience and youth caused the J.V. team to have their ups and downs. Only eight tenth graders returned.

Times were tough for the players. Even when they pulled together and played well, the score didn't seem to show it.

A well played game against Forest was a high point even though they didn't come out victorious. Coach Craig commented, it was not a victory, but in the second half the team pulled together and fought hard. Staying together and fighting hard described the J.V. season.

Russell Smith

You want this??

Quarterback Dewayne Butler hands the ball off to running back Steve Wright. A clean exchange is needed to keep the drive alive.

I got it!!

Jason Maddox concentrates on making a good catch. Throwing and catching the ball was very important in winning the game.



Scoreboard

Liberty	Opponent	
0	William Campbell	20
20	Buckingham	0
22	Altavista	6
14	Staunton River	6
12	Nelson	18
14	Jefferson Forest	23
6	Amherst	48
6	Rustburg	40
	Record: 3-5	

V. Football

Front Row: Jason Maddox, Charles Anderson, Todd Arnold, Jason Daniels, Jeremy Chapman, Chip Bobbit, Richard Busby, Joseph Jackson, Russell Cook, Steve Wright; Second Row: Jay Overstreet, Jeff Creasey, C.J. Johnson, Johnny Harris, Chip Hill, Jody Bowden, Nick Lankenship, Jason Ferguson, Cline Lynch, Travis Hunt, Steve Mazingo; Third Row: Seth Goff, Marcus Peters, Kevin Musgrave, Mike Jarrels, Josh Leftwich, Jason Reedy, Robbie, Chris Frost, Mike Menzel, Phillip Davis, and Lyle owlbeck.

Serving Punch!

Getting away with spikes on the court

The Varsity Volleyball team had spirit despite having a losing season. Each player had individual talents and worked hard on combining them to execute plays as a team. Spikes, sets, digs, and volleys all required team cooperation.

It was a season of experience for the team as well as for the new coach, Ms. Ponn. "We only had nine girls so each person had a lot of playing time", said Coach Ponn. A small team limited the players performance because some girls had to play the entire game.

Regardless of the teams losses they enjoyed working together and ended the season with a smile.

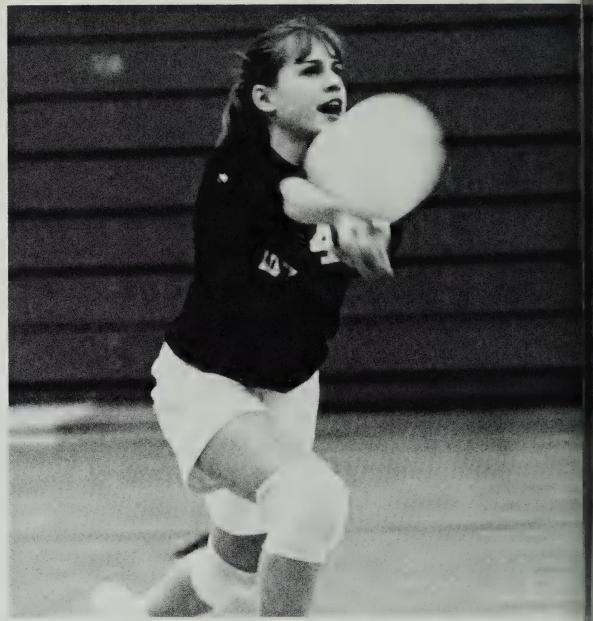
Jamie McKinney

Umph!

Shannon Jurkus hits the ball with all her strength while teammate Felicia Miller stands ready to back her up. Volleyball was a group effort.

I Got It!

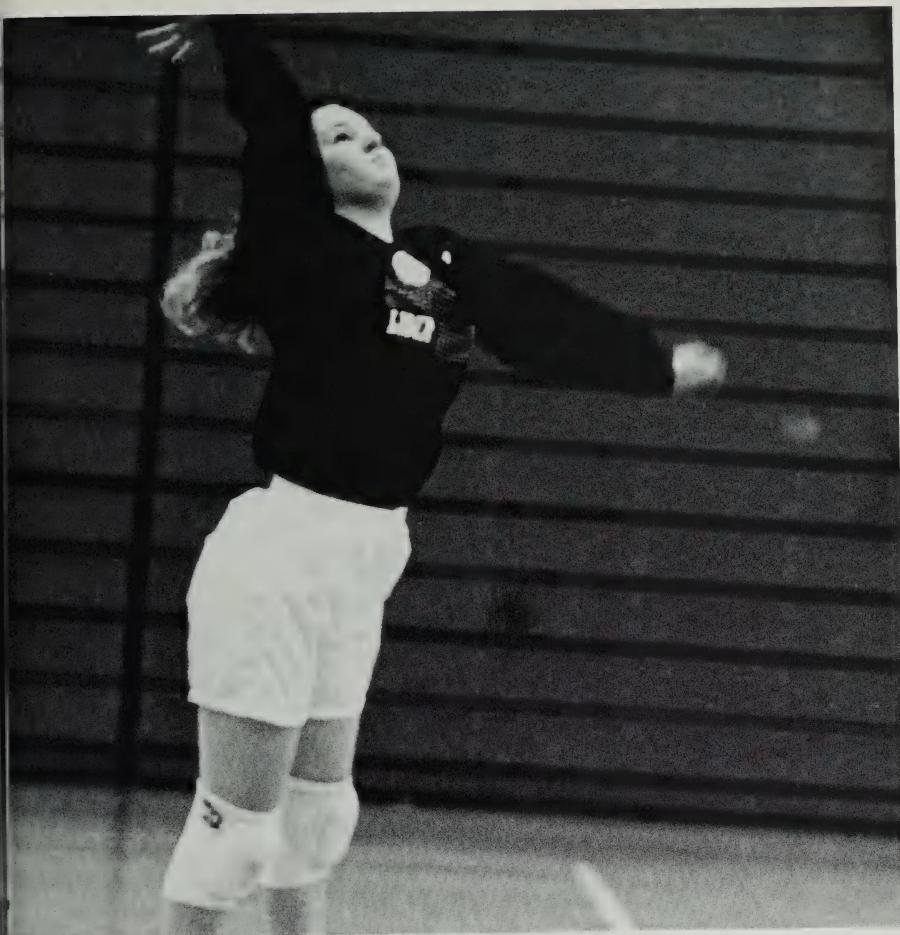
Sophomore, Selena Byers gets under the ball to return it. Playing volleyball required arm strength and coordination.



Varsity Volleyball

Front row: Anne Eubank, Amanda Saunders, Shannon Jurkus, Sue Lynn Cowbeck, and Anna Bramlett; Second row: Amy Taylor, Mandy Lopez, Michelle Heptinstall, Felicia Miller, Selena Byers, and Coach Ponn

Season Record 0-16



Jump!

Sue Lynn Cowlbeck jumps high to return the ball. She was chosen Most Valuable Player.



What Next?

Coach Reichard, Coach Catron, Mandy Lopez(15), Michelle Heptinstall(13), Sue Lynn Cowlbeck(11), Felicia Miller(10), Anne Burnely bank(5), and Shannon Jurkus(3) take time out to plan their next move. Strategy and communication were keys to success.



Over the Net

Anna Bramlett tips the ball to get it back over the net. This was Anna's second year playing on the varsity team.

Want Some...

The Minutemen took what was expected and a little more

"To be in the upper echelon of teams in the regular season," stated Coach Hanks when asked about team goals. The team was not only in the upper echelon but at the top of the Seminole district.

Losing their first game, the team turned it around and won 18 of the next 19 regular season games. Averaging 76 points to their opponents 54 the team used Coach Hanks' strategy of speed and tough defense to roll over many opponents.

The team advanced in the district tournament, winning the first game by a margin of 40 points and forcing 20 turnovers. They lost in the next round in an upset to Altavista.

Having won the Seminole district the team received a bid for regional play. They defeated William Byrd and Martinsville in exciting games at the Salem Civic Center, but fell short to Northside in the finals at Roanoke College.

The next step was the state tournament. The team traveled to Bristol to battle Gate City and capture a victory. With Liberty University hosting the state semifinals for the first time, the Minutemen enjoyed what was close to a home court advantage. Holding their own while giving up lots of height the Minutemen fought to a tie at halftime. In the second half the Minutemen were plagued by a lack of rebounding and an inability to shoot three pointers. Falling behind by ten, the deficit was more than could be made up in the second half. The team fought back but in the end it was still a ten point margin.

Russell Smith

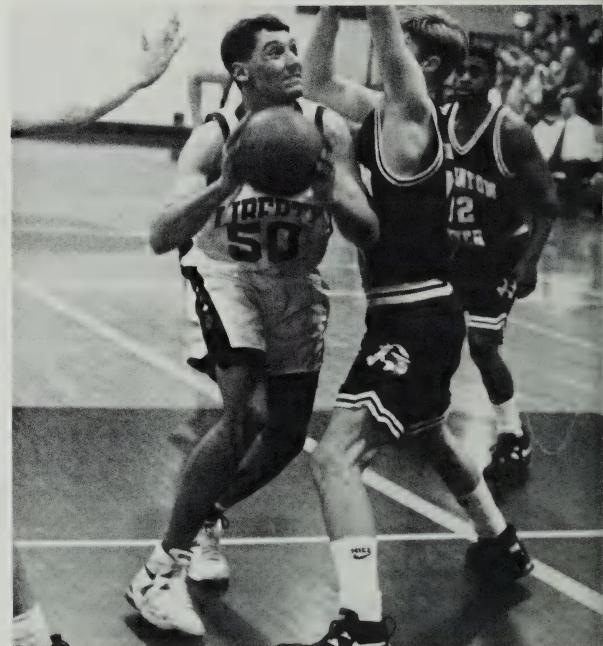
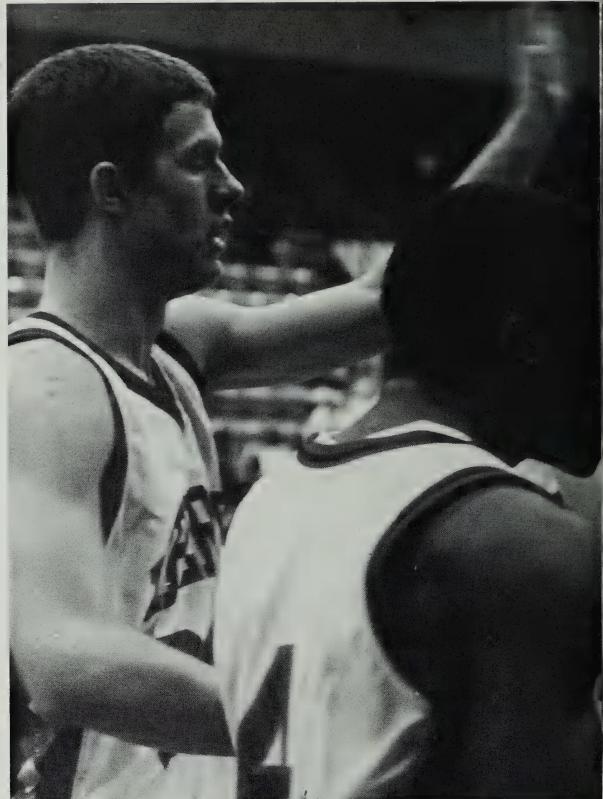
Way to Go!!

Brian Long and Stephen Shrader give a high five after a victory as J.J. Coles looks on. Brian and Stephen showed strong senior leadership on and off the court.



Let's go guys!

Ryan Stevens, Mike Padgett, and Stephen Shrader come out of the locker room after halftime. Many players used halftime as a time for rest and a time to focus on what they needed to do the second half.



Power Move!

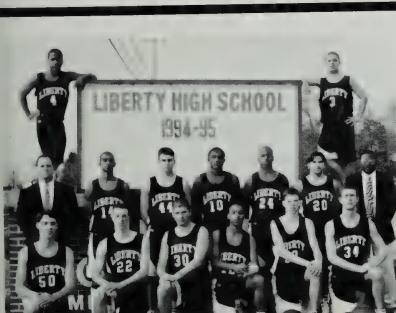
Stephen Shrader displays the patented headfake on his defender. Stephen scored a game high 32 points in his final game against Nansemond River.

Get Some



Hanks and the Crew!

Coach Hanks and the rest of the team watch closely. The team wore black ribbons on their jerseys in memory of friend Heather Dooley who was lost to cancer early in the season.



Varsity Boys Basketball

From Row: Stephen Shrader, Zak St. Clair, Greg Boyer, Micah McAuley, Mike Padgett, Brian Long; Second Row: Coach Mark Hanks, Raymond Arrington, Neil Roop, Cris Ridgeway, Robert Carson, Ryan Stevens, Coach Andrew Kelso; Third Row: J.J. Coles, and Gregg Reynolds

Liberty

60
77
103
69
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92
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72
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104
66
73
82
54
80
94

Scoreboard

	Opponent
Brookville	61
William Campbell	61
Buckingham	49
Altavista	42
Staunton River	67
Nelson	50
Jefferson Forest	42
Amherst	63
Rustburg	52
Appomattox	62
Brookville	49
William Campbell	52
Buckingham	64
Altavista	55
Staunton River	51
Nelson	59
Jefferson Forest	54
Amherst	57
Rustburg	44
Appomattox	49
Season Record	22-5

Opponent

District Tournament

Lib.	Opp.
80	Nelson 44
57	Altavista 59

Regional Tournament

Lib.	Opp.
68	William Byrd 63
87	Martinsville 60
42	Northside 63

State Tournament

Lib.	Opp.
70	Gate City 53
68	Nansemond River 78

Awards

Stephen Shrader-First Team All-District, All Region, All Timesland, 2nd Team All-State
Gregg Reynolds and **J.J. Coles**-First Team All-District

Pinning = Winning

Wrestling team post its fourth straight winning season

In Early November wrestling practice began. Conditioning played a major role. Lots of sprints and push-ups were just the beginning of what it took to stay in shape.

The team finished second in the district with three regular season champions. Four wrestlers qualified for the state tournament; juniors Travis Overstreet and Rickey Dooley and seniors Chris Blair and Jason Evans. Coach Watts commented, "Good senior leadership was a big factor in having a good season." In addition to Blair and Evans senior leadership was provided by Eric Arrington, Toby Markham, and Wayne Swain.

Russell Smith

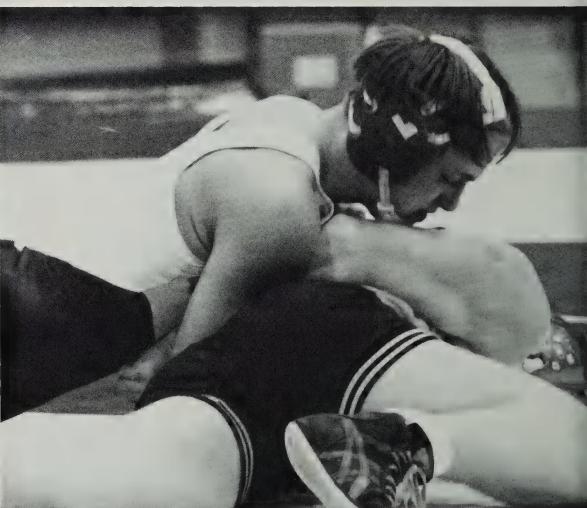
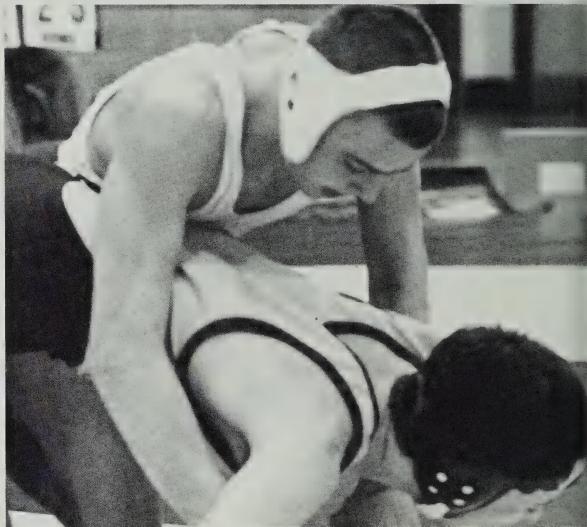
I've Got You Now!

Eric Arrington controls an opponent. Staying focused throughout the match and listening for the coaches advice often helped wrestlers to win.



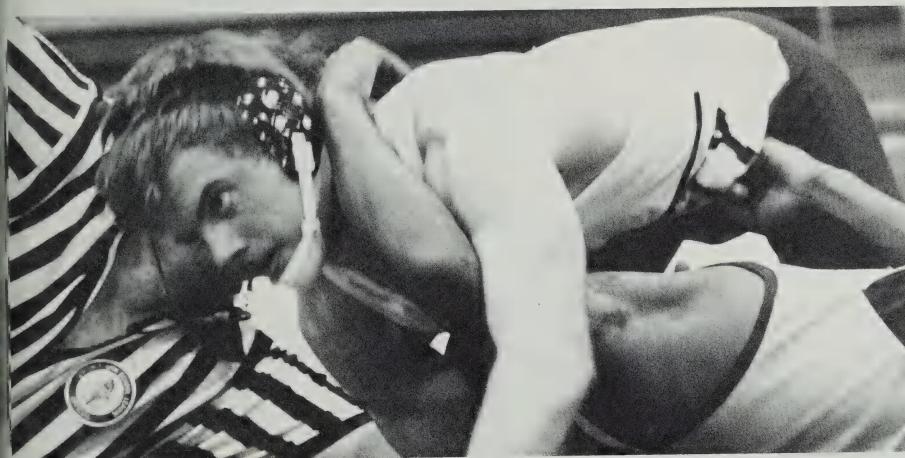
Let's take a break!

Ricky Dooley and Chris Blair discuss a move as they practice. Having competitive wrestlers in weight classes that are close helps make a team much stronger.



You're Mine!

Travis Overstreet takes charge of his opponent. Keeping an opponents arms and legs tied up made a reversal more difficult.



How does that feel?

Chris Blair puts a painful move on an opponent. Chris was one of the more experienced wrestlers on the team. He was also a Senoir co-captain.



He-Man!

Philip Davis shows his strength as he slams down an opponent. Strength played a major part in the outcome of the match.

You're going down buddy!

Jason Evans hopes for a pin instead of a nearfall. A wrestler contributed six points toward team score with a pin, five points they won by more than fifteen points, and three or four points depending on the spread of points earned.



Wrestling

Front Row: Chris Gardner, Philip Davis, Eric Arrington, Chris Blair, Jason Evans, Toby Markham, Travis Overstreet, Johnny Divers; Second Row: Gary Dooley, Jody Bowden, Rickey Dooley, Jay Ward, Jason Owens, Brad Dinnwiddie, Josh Reynolds, Kevin Burnette, Terrell May; Third Row: Coach Chris Watts, Sarah Stallard, Darrin Kardos, Josh McGuire, Jason Reedy, Aaron Noe, Steve Short, Wayne Swain, David Hardy, Blake Burks and Coach John Blair

Scoreboard

Name	Record
Gary Dooley	18-7
Kevin Burnette	10-7
Rickey Dooley	18-3
Chris Blair	30-3
Jeremiah Hambrick	8-5
Travis Overstreet	21-8
Eric Arrington	24-7
Jason Owens	4-8
Jason Evans	25-6
Wayne Swain	5-5
Aaron Noe	9-9
Toby Markham	14-9
Steve Short	5-10

Team Record 9-4

Round Track Racing

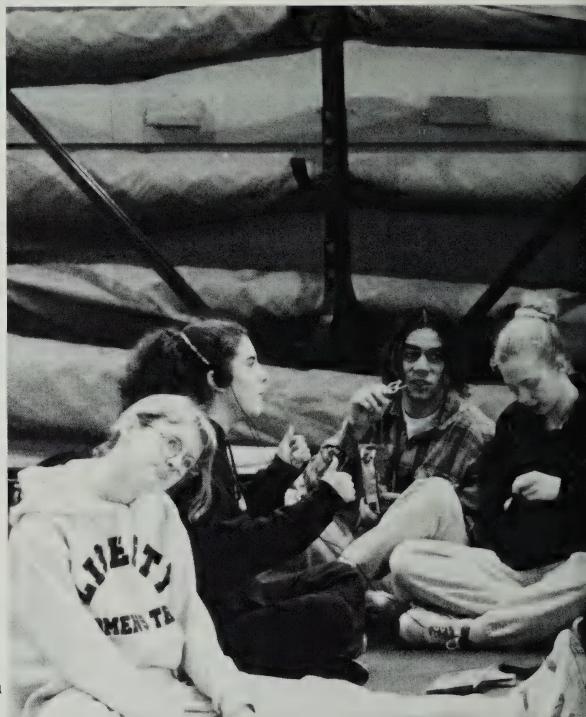
Running on a tight 200 yard track proved to be challenging and frustrating

On Friday night when most teenagers were staying out late, the track team members were setting their alarm clocks for the sixth time that week. Sprinters had to give up their Saturdays to run a maximum of 15 seconds. They spent the long hours waiting for their race, talking with friends, stretching, grooving to their walkmans, or gathering around a single newspaper trying to figure out the cryptoquote.

To prepare for the straight a way sprint or the 24 laps around Lynchburg College's circular track the team practiced Monday through Thursday taking Fridays off to hopefully prevent illness and fatigue injuries. The coaches rotated practice to provide a variety of workouts. If temperature was not below freezing the team would bundle up in their long johns, gloves, and stocking caps and head out to the track for a ladder and some hills. When Mother Nature prevailed the team could be found in "C" building doing duck walks, wheelbarrows, giving piggy back rides, or "cleaning the floor."

After only four years the team was the largest ever. There was a combination of people conditioning for the spring and others who were out to work off the winter blahs. For some it was their fourth and last year and for many it was just the beginning.

Kristi Brown

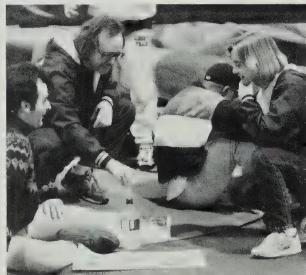


Take a break

Zack White, Jayson Taylor, Brandon Sutler, and Meredith Reaves relax on the soft high jump mat. This is a hot spot for visiting friends and cheering team members on.

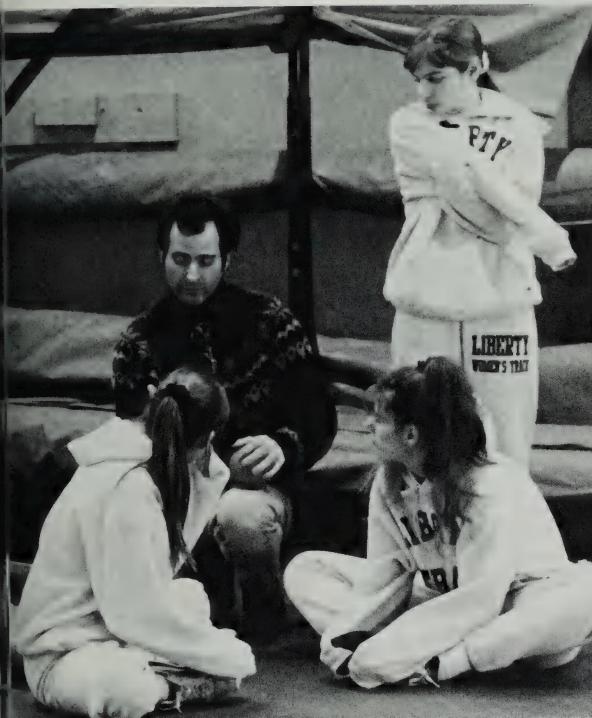
Were's the dice?

Mr. Coughlin, Mr. Finch, and Ms. Cheek get together to discuss the upcoming events. Mr. Finch is in charge of the guys. Ms. Cheek is the girls' coach and Mr. Coughlin is the assistant coach.



Strike a pose

Kate Warner, Emily Allen, Eric Bennett, Kara Young, Kristi Brown, Mr. Coughlin, Jennifer Hefley, and Adriane Biggio pass the time associating with their teammates. In between races the team went to their corner to critique their race and meditate about the next one.



Airborne

Greg Harris flies down the straight a way. Greg qualified for Regionals but could not run because of an injury during Districts.



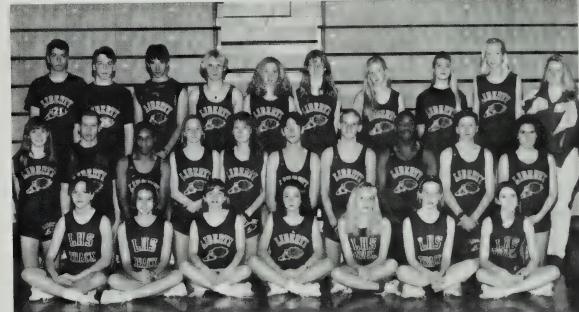
Scoreboard

Districts

Jennifer Hefley 2nd-600 dash
dash,3rd-300 dash
Kate Warner 4th-60 dash, 6th-
600 dash
Adriane Biggio 3rd- 600 dash
2 Mile Relay-3rd Kristi Brown,
Angie Martin, Emily Allen,
Adriane Biggio
Mile Relay- 3rd Jennifer Hefley,
Kate Warner, Kristi Brown,
Adriane Biggio
Greg Harris 5th-60 dash
Zack White 6th- 2 mile

Regionals

Jennifer Hefley 2nd -600 dash,
3rd-300 dash
Kate Warner 6th-300 dash
Adriane Biggio 4th-600 dash
2 Mile Relay-3rd Kristi Brown,
Angie Martin, Emily Allen,
Adriane Biggio
Mile Relay-3rd Jennifer Hefley,
Kate Warner, Kristi Brown,
Adriane Biggio



Indoor Track Team

Front row: Shannon Bryant, Cherie Nunley, Adraine Biggio, Meredith Reaves, Bridget Morrison, Katie Spencer, Felicia Dunn. Middle Row: Angie Martin, Jason Rice, Johnny Harris, Kristi Brown, Jennifer Hefley, Dwayne Barnett, Zack White, Greg Harris, Chad Taylor, Emily Allen. Back Row: Ron Vedder, Brandon Sutler, Todd Arnold, Jayson Taylor, Kara Young, Kate Warner, Christine Taylor, Missy Shepard, Allison Higginbotham and Nicole Pietras manager.

Go! Go! Go!

Jennifer Hefley hands the baton off to Angie Martin. A good pull was the key to a clean hand off. Jennifer Hefley is the keeper of the metallic blue baton that is filled with the lucky crud.

All Psyched Up

In the midst of championship games, cheerleaders boosted team and crowd spirit

During the boys' basketball season, short skirts and pom-poms could be found almost everywhere. If the cheerleaders were not practicing or at a game, they were decorating the hallways or making posters for a big game.

The cheerleaders began practicing in early December, and practiced almost everyday until the middle of March. Practice usually lasted from 3:30 to 5:00, but as the team progressed into tournament games, several of the cheerleaders stayed later to help the track team and the Journalism class decorate the halls.

During games, the cheerleaders smiling faces and enthusiasm boosted team and crowd spirit. The squad showed off their talent and spirit under the leadership of tri-captains Mary Carter Mason, Charlene Morehead, and Lonice Cherebin.

The cheerleaders definitely went beyond the call of duty, as the squad got all psyched up and let their spirit shine.

Crystal Daniels

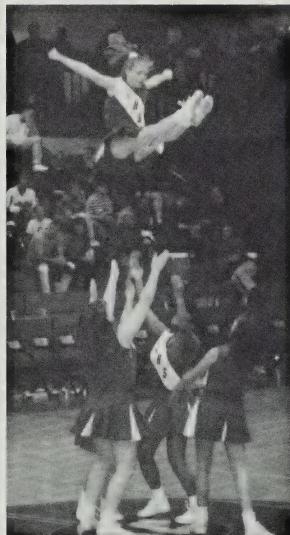
Pyramids of Egypt

Bottom Row: Lisa Carr, Amy Overstreet, Lonice Cherebin, Allison Overstreet; Middle Row: Olivia Witt, Angela Hatcher, Charlene Morehead; Top Row: Mary Carter Mason, and Jennifer Parker. The varsity cheerleaders build a stunt during half-time at the final four game.



Stepping Up

Amanda Noell, Chris Wiley, Carlyn Parker, Tonya Jackson, Chrissy Dellis, and Yvette Hurt build a stunt. The J.V. squad showed lots of spirit, although they were small squad.



Above the Rim

Amy Overstreet, Lonice Cherebin and Mary Carter Mason pop Charlene Morehead up at a half-time performance. The cheerleaders spent much time preparing stunts and cheers.



Chillin'

Chrissy Dellis, Tonya Jackson, Yvette Hurt, Amanda Noell, Chris Wiley, and Carlyn Parker clown around before a game. Their enthusiasm and smiles helped lead the J.V. team to a winning season.



Varsity Boys' Basketball Cheerleaders

Front Row: Olivia Witt, Angela Hatcher, Charlene Morehead; Middle Row: Jennifer Parker; Back Row: Lonice Cherebin, Allison Overstreet, Amy Overstreet, Mary Carter Mason, and Lisa Carr



J.V. Boys' Basketball Cheerleaders

Front Row: Tonya Jackson, Yvette Hurt, Amanda Noell; Back Row: Carloyn Parker, Chrissy Dellis, and Chris Wiley

Set Me Up

J.V. players have a good time gaining experience

In late November the J.V. Volleyball players searched for their knee pads. It was time to practice. The girls practiced five days a week perfecting drills, spikes, sets, digs, and serves. Their lack of experience contributed to a losing season, but they worked well together and their moral was high. "It was a good learning experience for the girls", said Coach Reichard. The team had fun and learned a lot.

Jamie McKinney

What Next?

Stacy Hopson and Sara Bogus pay close attention to their instructions. For many of the J.V. players it was their first year playing volleyball.

UGH!

Stephanie Ferrufino returns the ball. Control is a key to winning.



J.V. Volleyball

First Row: Jessica Shakelford, Stacy Hopson, Ashley Monk, Valerie Evans, Deinna Nunley; Second Row: Coach Angus, Stephanie Ferrufino, Jamie Parker, Amy Lawson, Tara Lineberry, and Coach Reichard

Season Record 0-16



Round and Round

Jamie Parker and Tara Lineberry prepare to switch places during a match. This type of rotation helped the team avoid weak spots.

Flying High

Spirits soar high as the J.V. team finishes ahead of the pack



Tough practices and speed helped the J.V. team have a great season. Coach Scott Craig's philosophy was that if you wanted to play hard you had to practice hard. Hard work and concentration were keys to winning.

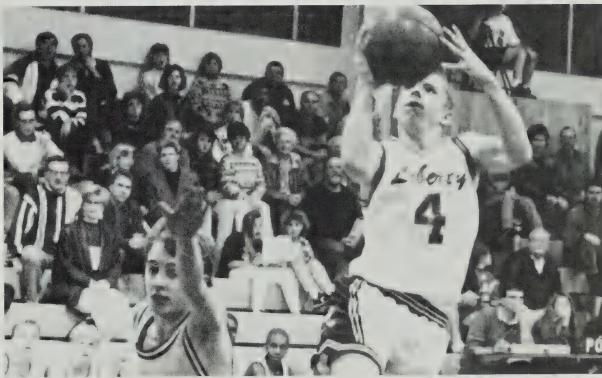
Suffering only two losses to Buckingham and Jefferson Forest the team rolled through the season with ease. The team averaged 61 points per game compared to only 42 points per game for opponents.

Speed not only allowed the team to breakaway from the competition but also helped the defense create many turnovers, which lead to lots of transition points.

Russell Smith

Hands Up!!

Greg Mallory plays tough defense on a Staunton River opponent. Tough defense was essential for a victory.



Air Jay??

Jay Overstreet glides toward the basket to make a lay-up. Jay was one of many freshmen on the team who received a lot of playing time.

Season Record 18-2



J.V. Boys' Basketball

Front Row: Kelly Garrett, Jonathan Whorley, Cheyney Preston, Rick Wright, Greg Mallory, Will Cayton, Jay Overstreet; Second Row: Brandon Mills, Micheal Camdon, C.J. Day, Jason Maddox, Donald Lowry, David Long, Jonathan Pankey and Jeremy Chapman

Liberty	Scoreboard	Opponent
62	Brookville	50
38	Buckingham	43
62	Altavista	50
87	Staunton River	35
67	Nelson	39
80	Jefferson Forest	70
69	William Campbell	27
65	Amherst	42
55	Rustburg	31
61	Appomatox	41
49	Brookville	37
43	William Campbell	36
47	Buckingham	42
67	Altavista	44
71	Staunton River	46
49	Jefferson Forest	51
66	Nelson	41
59	Amherst	38
56	Rustburg	36
64	Appomatox	41

All for an Angel

The loss of teammate Heather Dooley teaches team valuable lesson about life.

The Varsity Softball team was faced with many obstacles early in the season but somehow managed to come out with a winning season.

The first step that had to be taken was to fill the empty holes in the infield left by the Dooley sisters. Melissa, the shortstop, had graduated and third baseman, Heather, was in the hospital fighting a battle with cancer. The position of short-stop was filled All-district center fielder Lisa Carr. The question then was, "Who will play third?" Right fielder Selena Byers was then moved into the infield.

The second step for Coach David Grant was to patch up the outfield. Returning player Laura Rodriguez was moved to center and rookie Danielle Wilson was moved to right. The Varsity Softball team worked for hours on their defense and batting skills. The offense seemed to come together quickly, but the defense had a long way to go.

The next obstacle was dealing with the death of their teammate Heather Dooley. Despite Heather's declining health many of the girls wanted to believe that everything was going to be okay. Heather was a fighter and there were many tears shed after her death. On the day of the funeral the team wore their uniforms to school. Heather was buried in her uniform and the softball team was honorary pall-bearers. After a little of the shock wore off, Coach David Grant ordered black patches with the number nineteen embossed. The players, as well as the coaches, made a promise to play the season for number 19, Heather Dooley.

At first everything seemed to fall in place. The defense remained strong and players seemed to be pulling hits from out of nowhere. After twelve games the girls had an eleven and one record. The team accepted their first loss to Rustburg with hope of revenge, but their second loss to Amherst seemed to be a more difficult obstacle. The game lost to Amherst was a rain date and scheduled in a week that already had three games. The team was able to come back and lost to Nelson the next day. By the end of the week the team was worn out.

The softball team ended their regular season in fourth place and moved on to the district tournament. The girls played a tough, heads-up game and beat their close rival Jefferson Forest. After a tough practice and close game the girls were defeated by Rustburg, the later district champions.

Throughout the season the team was reminded that they should win not only for themselves but for their former team mate, Heather Dooley. As the team finished the season with a final record of 13-7 they learned a valuable lesson. They learned that life gives a lot tougher battles than a softball game and a lot bigger losses than a district title.

Monica Byers

"Don't even think about it."

Sue Lynn Cowlbeck dares the runner to advance to third. Quick reactions from the catcher held the runners on bag.



Varsity Softball

First row: Monica Byers, Crystal Daniels, Karla Goff, Desirae Goff, Second row: Anna Bramlett, Lisa Carr, Selena Byers, Danielle Wilson, Adrian Biggo, Third row: Coach Grant, Jessica Giggy, Laura Rodriguez, Sue Lynn Cowlbeck, Greta Davis, and Coach Catron.

Scoreboard

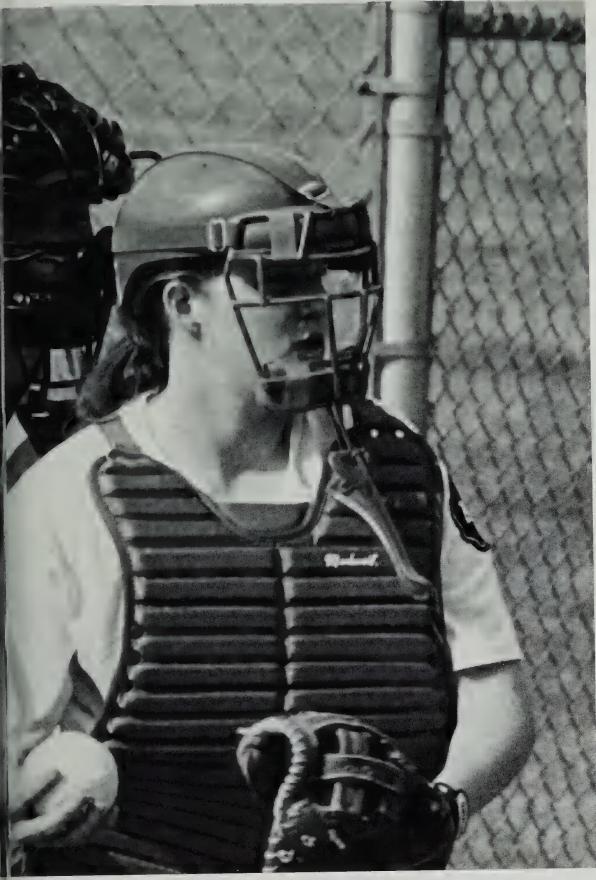
Liberty	Opponent	
7	Buckingham	2
28	Altavista	0
9	St. River	1
18	Nelson Co.	2
6	Jeff. Forest	3
0	Rustburg	8
11	Appomattox	1
7	Brookville	4
16	Will. Campbell	1
14	Buckingham	10
20	Altavista	6
2	St. River	1
2	Amherst	5
3	Nelson Co.	10
4	Jeff. Forest	6
6	Amherst	7
2	Rustburg	6
3	Appomattox	7
5	Jeff. Forest	4
1	Rustburg	4

Season Record 13-7



Pitch it across

Karla Goff winds up to pitch. Karla was known for her pitching and ability to place the ball.



Ready for trouble

Crystal Daniels and Anna Bramlett get into position. With a fast pitcher the first and second baseman had to be ready for the ball at all times.



It's outta here

Selena Byers takes off for first base after smacking the ball into the outfield. Selena was the clean-up batter and often did her job. She also had the second highest batting average.

Keep your eyes on the ball

isa Carr fields a ground ball. She played short-stop and pulled off many tough plays.

Reaching Goals

Two goals were set at the start of the season and both were reached

"A coach is only as good as his players," commented Coach Jim Cutler when asked about his 400 wins. Coming into the season Mr. Cutler needed only seven wins to reach his goal. With a victory over Amherst, the number two team in the district, Mr. Cutler made history.

The team's goal was to make the district tournament. Finishing fifth the team advanced but lost to William Campbell in two extra innings. This game as well as eight others were decided by only one run.

Commenting on the season Coach Cutler said that overall it was a good year. The team gave a great effort and had strong senior leadership.

Russell Smith

Squeeze!

Tim Stanley and Coach Cutler play around at the Hit-A-Thon. Coach Cutler was the first coach in the state of Virginia to reach 400 wins.

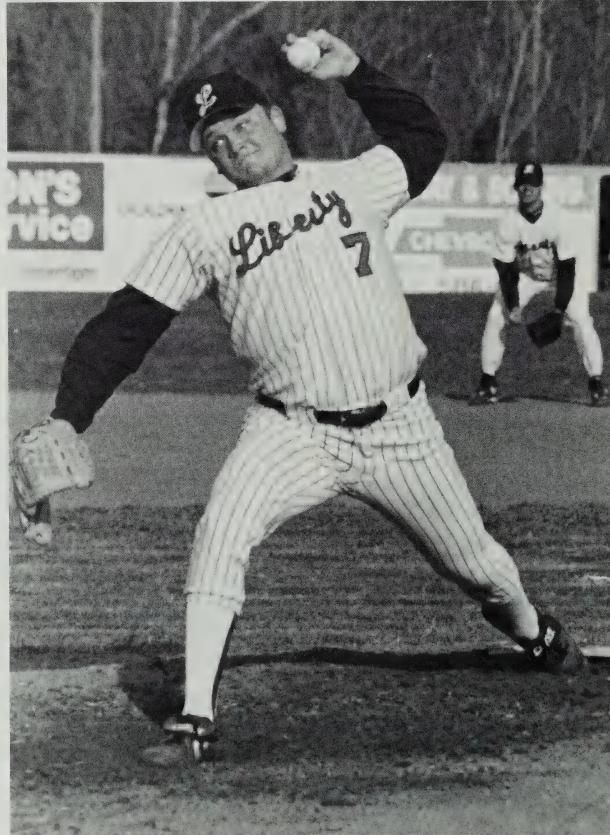


Going, Going, Gone!

Tim Stanley gets a glance of where the ball landed. Tim was a senior who showed great leadership and effort.

Rock-n-fire

Johnny Cash releases a pitch to the plate. Johnny was a senior co-captain and a starting pitcher. He also led the team with 30 RBI's.



How Far??

Brian Long takes a big swing at the baseball Hit-A-Thon. This was a fundraiser in which their farthest hit was recorded and an amount of money was donated for every foot.



Hold Up!

Joseph Parker runs safely to third base. Joseph was a hard nosed player who worked hard and always gave it his all. Joseph ended the season with a .300 batting average.



Run, Run, Run!!

Russell Smith makes a turn toward home plate. Russell was a senior who led the team in runs scored with 24.



Varsity Baseball

Front Row: Joseph Parker, Johnny Cash, Brian Long, Mike Padgett, Russell Smith, Alan Tomlin; Second Row: Fred Oliver, Brandon Painter, Tim Stanley, Chris Gardner, Gregg Reynolds, Scott Markham, Chris Curd; Third Row: Coach Jim Cutler, Jason Owens, Doug Overstreet, Mike Mayhew, Nick Overstreet, Chris Thompson, Ben Schut, and Coach Stewart Grant

Scoreboard

Liberty

5
12
2
6
9
14
8
6
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7
5
4
8
4
9
1
5
11
4

Opponent

Buckingham	4
Altavista	2
Staunton River	3
Nelson	3
Jefferson Forest	10
Amherst	5
Rustburg	7
Appomattox	5
Brookville	10
Wm. Campbell	6
Buckingham	14
Altavista	4
Staunton River	4
Nelson	9
Jefferson Forest	5
Amherst	2
Rustburg	6
Appomattox	18
Dist. Tournament	
Wm. Campbell	5
Record 9-9-1	

Awards

Brian Long

First Team All-District Infield

Gregg Reynolds

First Team All-District Infield

Johnny Cash

First Team All-District Outfield

Russell Smith

Honorable Mention All-District Outfield

Dedication

Makes winners on the field

"Man, we should've have had that ball..."

"Man, we should've had that game."

These were the voices that echoed at the end of the season. The team had talent and a new coaching staff. Practice everyday consisted of long stretches, drills and lots of hills.

On game day, everyone dug out their Adidas sandals and shorts to go along with their shirt and tie.

The team played well. They showed grace and style with one and two touch passes and wowed the other teams with constant rocket-fire shots on goal. With a freshman in goal and a mix of upperclassmen on the field, the team played its best game at the district tournament against Brookville.

"We should have won," said senior captain Michael Tillman, "We played well as a team."

Throughout the season sportsmanship was a main priority. They finished third in the district.

Regan Warner

Heads up!

Chris Robey kicks the ball out of danger. Chris was Second Team All-District along with Michael Tillman.



What are they doing out there?

Hung Tran, Casper Schaad, Jayson Taylor, Nam Tran, Neal Agee, Matt Burke, Harley Childress, Chris Small and Allen Hayes watch from the sidelines. Players got very frustrated watching the game.

I'm open!

Lee Fisher rushes to the ball. Lee was First Team All-District.



Get back!

Jaff Halleur jumps up to some defenders.
Jeff was named First Team All- District.



Move up!

Chris Blair moves up towards goal. Chris was recognized by the coaching staff as Senior Male Athlete of the Year for his accomplishments in cross country, wrestling, and soccer.



Front Row: Ricky Dooley, Jayson Taylor, Dwayne Barnett, Michael Tillman (captain), Joel Morgan (captain), Mike Ayers, Adrian Lanning, Ryan Stevens.

Second Row: Lee Fisher, Matt Burke, Casper Schaad, Aaron Noe, Chris Blair, Allen Hayes, Neal Agee, Harley Childress, W. T. Swain. **Third Row:** Denise Hayes (manager), Regan Warner (manager), Megan Morris (manager), Sara Landis (manager), Chris Robey, Chris Small, Jeff Halleur, Andy Baxter. Assistant Coach Jeff Steele, Head Coach John Blair.

Scoreboard

Liberty

1	
2	
2	
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Opponent

Jefferson Forest	5
Nelson County	0
Rustburg	0
Staunton River	0
Jefferson Forest	1
Amherst	2
Rustburg	1
Nelson County	2
Staunton River	0
Appomattox	1
Brookville	2
Northside	1
Heritage	4
Brookville (OT)	1

Season Record: 8-3

All Around Champions

Low numbers prevented the team from winning, but quality created individual winners.

As the outdoor season began many runners were setting their goals and starting to eat healthy, if not doing so already. The three track coaches got together at the beginning of the season and decided to do something new. Everyone on the team got to experience a field event, whether it was for conditioning or just a little comic relief.

The season wasn't very hot and the rainy days gave the runners another reason to bring out the bright, red, metallic pants along with the big, Merita umbrella.

As the season went on county records were broken and school records were set, with the help of the traditional prayer that was said before every meet. Prayer always helped the

relay team be a little less nervous.

As the season came to a close, the number of runners competing diminished. Several were eliminated at the district meet and so technically they did not have to come to practice. Most still came out to help and support the members of the team that advanced to regionals and state.

To prepare for the last race the team made their traditional trip to Luigi's in Harrisonburg. After the race, one last stop was made in Lexington for the forbidden treat - homemade ice cream. The team that had been so restricted all season went home with very full stomachs.

Jennifer Hefley

Yees Beevis

Zack White came to Regionals to cheer the runners on. Zack was one of the runners that came to practice when he didn't have to.



Smile

Neil Roop helps Coach Finch video tape at Regionals. The video tape is one of America's Funniest Track Videos.



Three's company

Stephanie Ferrafino, Shelley Tillman, and Amanda Noell ran the mile. It was helpful to have your teammates run with you to push you along.



Districts

300 hurdles-5th Barbara Divers

100 meter dash-4th Jennifer Hefley, 5th Kate Warner

400 meter dash-2nd Jennifer Hefley

Mile relay-2nd Jennifer Hefley, Missy Sumner, Kate Warner, Barbara Divers

100 meter dash-6th Greg Harris

Discuss-6th Neil Roop

Regionals

400 meter dash-3rd Jennifer Hefley

Mile relay-1st Jennifer Hefley, Missy Sumner, Kate Warner, Barbara Divers

State

400 meter dash-8th Jennifer Hefley

Mile relay-9th Missy Sumner, Jennifer Hefley, Kate Warner, Barbara Divers



Spring Track Team

Front row: Sidney Cheek. Second row: Jeremy Camper, Cherie Nunley, Missy Sumner, Jennifer Hefley, Barbara Divers, Kristi Brown, Shannon Bryant, Joey Tice; Third row: Greg Harris, Amanda Noell, Shelley Tillman, Kate Warner, Stephanie Ferrafino, Angie Layne, Samantha Toler, Kristy Cross. Back row: Coach Dee Cheek, David Hylton, Zack White, Neil Roop, Kevin Godfrey, Jason Perdue, Donald Lowry, Tim Saunders, Nicole Pietras, and Coach Terry Finch.



Let Us Pray

Clockwise: Kate Warner (glasses), Missy, Summer, Barbara Divers, Jennifer Hefley, and Kristi Brown gather to pray before the 4 X 400 relay. Praying was something the runners chose to do. It helped make them closer and also helped them relax.

Pull your shoulder through

Greg Harris throws the discus in addition to sprinting. Greg suffered a pulled hamstring in indoor that haunted him throughout the spring season.



Pinch your penny

Brian Clark high jumps when he is not running the mile. Some runners had to prioritize events that interfered with others.



Take That!

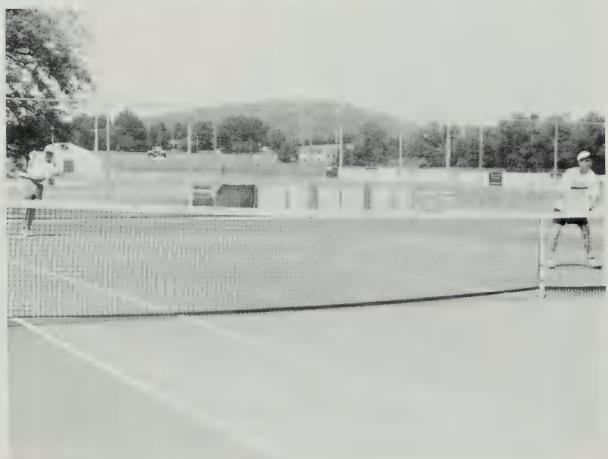
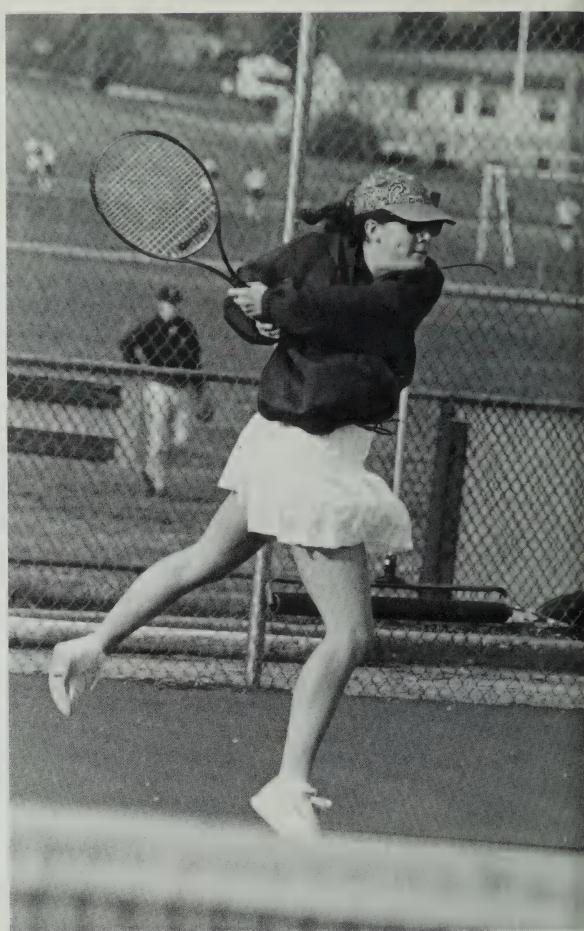
Emily Allen smacks the ball back over the net to her opponent. Emily was #1 during most of the season.

Huh?

Carla Meador looks unsure of the call made by her opponent. Carla played as the #2 seed most of the season.

Easy Does It

Carson Overstreet hits the ball with accuracy over the net. Carson played as #4 for most of the season.



Pop!

Chad Noell serves the ball to his opponent while Travis Wingfield stands at the net waiting to return the ball. Chad and Travis were the number one doubles team for most of the season.



Smack!

Lisa Hardegan returns the ball to her opponent. Many times getting the ball over and keeping it in play was more important than hitting as hard as possible.

High Hopes and Low Strokes

The Girls' tennis team strived to be the best and reach all of their goals

On March 6, with high expectations and much anticipation the girls' tennis team began practice. Over half of the players were returning and Coach Falls had high hopes for his team. With such a high turnout Coach Falls chose to have two separate practices with two different "teams". The first team would practice from 3:30 to 4:15 and the second from 4:15 to around 5:15. This allowed for more individual attention and less "clutter" on the courts.

The season started and ended on a high note with wins over William Campbell and Rustburg. With so many other teams in the district also having many returning players most matches were very tough. "The team worked together and played to the best of their ability", stated Carla Meador. Although they did not achieve a winning record they had winning attitudes and they gave it their all.

Mary Carter Mason



Girls' Tennis Team:

Front Row: Tammy Anderson, Abbie Rieley, Jennifer Keith, Jennifer Creasy, Diana Roberts; Middle Row: Emily Allen, Carson Overstreet, Meredith Reaves, Emily Rowe, Lisa Hardegen, Marissa Stanley; Back Row: Carla Meador, Anne Eubank, Christina Fuellgraf, Jennifer St. Clair, Meaghan Cox, Tara Jones, Holly Jurkus and Christina Hale.

Liberty Scoreboard Opponent

0	Brookville	9
9	William Campbell	0
0	Salem	9
3	Altavista	6
9	William Campbell	0
2	Nelson	7
0	Forest	9
3	Altavista	6
2	Amherst	7
1	Appomattox	8
5	Rustburg	4

Team Record: 3-8

With 6 of the 8 players returning the boys' tennis team set high goals for themselves

The boys tennis team began practice in early March with low numbers but lots of familiar faces. With 6 of the 8 players returning it looked like this would be yet another successful season.

As the season progressed the guys played tough, remained strong and maintained a winning record. There were close matches, big wins and even a few heartbreaking losses.

In the end although the final record was not as good as those of the past, the winning tradition continued. Mary Carter Mason



Boys' Tennis Team:

Front Row: Paul Johnson, Jason Bryant, Joseph Wilkerson, Chris Orange, Shannon Walker; Back Row: Coach Eckes, Travis Wingfield, Cory Key, Chad Noell, and Coach Rappaport.

Team Record 10-5

Singles' Records:

#1 Emily Allen	3-7
#2 Carla Meador	6-4
#3 Lisa Hardegen	1-7
#4 Carson Overstreet	3-8
#5 Meredith Reaves	5-5
#6 Anne Eubank	4-6
#6 Jennifer St. Clair	2-3
#6 Holly Jurkus	0-2

Doubles' Records:

#1 Carson Overstreet and Emily Allen	2-6
#2 Carla Meador and Anne Eubank	2-5
#3 Lisa Hardegen and Meredith Reaves	2-1
#3 Holly Jurkus and Emily Rowe	1-2

Awards:

Sr. Awards: Carla Meador, Jennifer St. Clair and Lisa Hardegen
Most Wins: Carla Meador and Meredith Reaves
Top Doubles: Carson Overstreet and Emily Allen
Most Improved: Anne Eubank

Singles' Records:

#1 Shannon Walker	9-6
#2 Travis Wingfield	11-2
#3 Casper Schaad	4-1
#4 Chad Noell	8-2
#5 Chris Orange	7-4
#6 Cory Key	4-8
#6 Jason Bryant	2-4

Doubles' Records:

#1 Chad Noell and Travis Wingfield	12-3
#2 Shannon Walker and Chris Orange	10-3
#3 Cory Key and Casper Schaad	4-2

Awards:

Coaches Award: Travis Wingfield

Outstanding Player: Shannon Walker

Team Captain: Cory Key

Kickin' it up

The J.V. teams kicked up their heals and combined for 24 victories

No one could have asked for more from the J.V. teams. They worked hard to make the plays, which definitely showed in their 24 victories.

The sound of the cracking bats led off spring sports. Eighth, ninth, and tenth graders came out to show their stuff. Throughout the season the softball players strived to perfect the fundamentals. "Most of the starters have played together before, this helped us with our undefeated season," said Chris Wiley.

With a season well played the J.V. baseball team walked away with their heads held high. Jay Overstreet, Brandon Sutler, and Matt Byers led the team in hitting. Although the team was young they still proved to be competitive and talented.

The J.V. soccer team struggled in the beginning of the season, but steadily improved. The teams' leading scorers, Chris Parker and Jason Daniels, were both eighth graders. The team worked hard to improve.

With increased interest, participation, and support, the J.V. teams enjoyed victory.

Greta Davis

Safe at home

Yevette Hurt slides into home plate. As starting center fielder for J.V. she later moved to Varsity.



Takin a Break...

Leah Raintree, Angela Martin, Sarah Blair, William Yeager, and Mike Menzel pay close attention. Keeping your head in the game was required upon re-entry.

It's out of here!

Mike Meador rounds third base after hitting a home run. Mike was the teams designated hitter and sometimes played second base.

Scoreboard

Liberty

	Opponents	
1	Northside	4
0	Heritage	1
0	Jefferson Forest	3
0	Nelson	2
1	Rustburg	0
3	Staunton River	0
0	Jefferson Forest	7
4	Amherst	2
2	Altavista	2
2	Rustburg	3
0	Nelson	2
0	Staunton River	0
2	Brookville	0

Record 4-7-2



J.V. Soccer

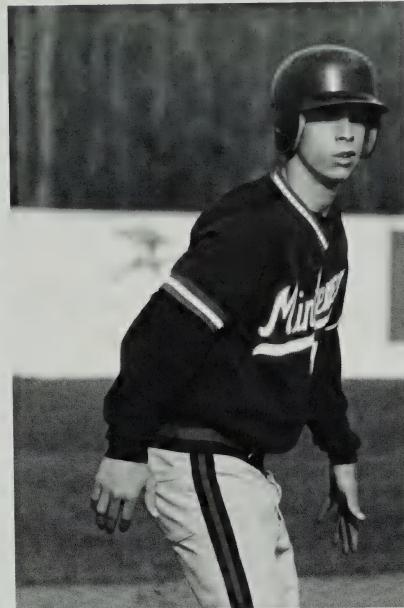
Front row: Sarah Blair, Joey Taylor, Ben Masters, Angie Martin, Zack Biggard, Mike Clementovsky, Chris Parker, Walker Wright; Second row: Matt Mitchell, William Yeager, Jarett Hill, Chad Taylor, Leigha Raintree, Micheal, Mike Menzel, Tarel May, Blake Burks; Third row: Megan Morris, Denise Hays, Sarah Landis, Regan Warner, Eligah Baily, Jacob McLaughlin, Jason Daniels, Chad Baker, Mr. Steele, Mr. Blair

Scoreboard

Liberty

	Opponents	
13	Staunton River	0
22	Nelson	2
2	Jefferson Forest	1
7	Amherst	4
15	Rustburg	1
14	Appomattox	3
32	Brookville	2
13	William Campbell	3
25	Altavista	0
14	Staunton River	0
31	Nelson	3
?	Jefferson Forest	?
14	Amherst	10
16	Rustburg	2

Record 14-0



Mama I'm coming home!

Jay Overstreet takes his lead off of third base. Jay was the starting center fielder and one of the leading hitters.

Get the Ball!

Eliah Baley, Blake Burks, Jacob McGlaulin, and Terrel May attempt to steal the ball from an opponent. Team work was one of the keys to a successful season.



J.V. Softball

Front row: Ashley Robertson, Valarie Evans, Amanda Saunders, Dianna Nunley, Heather Childress, Krissy Dellis; Second Row: Crystal Kennedy, Amy Lawson, Tamara Hawkins, Sarah Bogus, Jessica Shackleford, Robin Campbell, Ashley Mitchell; Third Row: Miss Angus Chris Wiley, Catherine Saunders, Yvette Hurt, April Miss Reichard

Scoreboard

Opponents	
Staunton River	14
Nelson	6
Jefferson Forest	12
Amherst	14
Rustburg	8
Appomattox	5
Appomattox	9
Brookville	12
William Campbell	7
Altavista	5
Staunton River	5
Nelson	11
Jefferson Forest	6
Amherst	15
Rustburg	7

Record 9-6



J.V. Baseball

Front row: David Long, Brandon Mills, Kevin Smith, Travis Boyer, Adam Mayhew; Second row: Mike Meador, Rick Burks, Chip Bobbit, Brandon Sutler, Jay Overstreet, Matthew Byers, Scott Smith; Third row: Ben Smith, Thomas Boyer, Bobby Perkins, Will Cayton, Jonathan Whorley, Mike Camden, and Coach Bill Boyer

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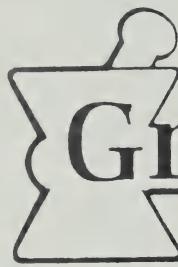
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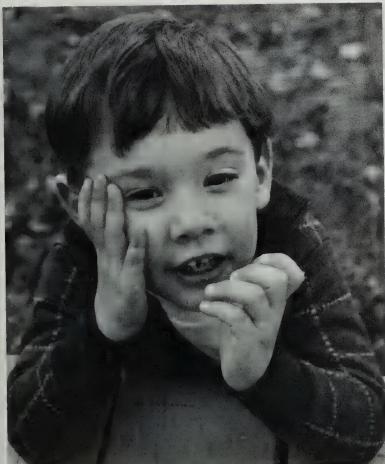
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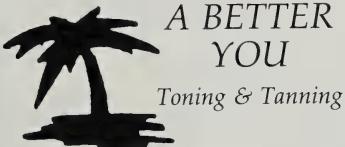
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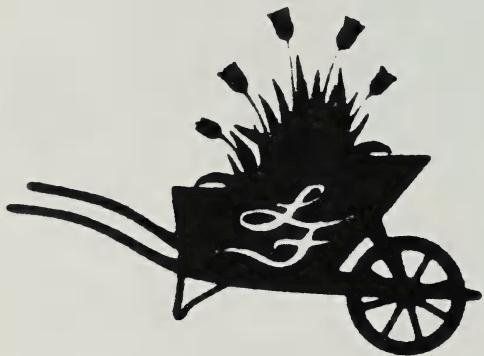


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After a sad goodbye

As Mr. House packed up his office, took down his diplomas and awards, and emptied his desk, a certain sadness and sense of loss filled the school. After serving as principal and assistant principal for six years, he moved on to Martinsville High School to possibly introduce block scheduling there.

Mr. House had a positive effect on academic and extracurricular activities. "Under his leadership the students have shown marked improvement in discipline," said Mrs. Keister. He showed his support for academic accomplishments and athletic activities by handing out honor roll certificates and attending many games. By introducing block schedule and making it a success, he made Liberty a leader in the county.

Mr. House said he will always remember Liberty. His only hope was that he left things a little better than he found them.

Crystal Daniels

An A+ smile

Mr. House gives Emily Allen an award at the Academic Award ceremony. Mr. House supported the academic program by handing out honor roll certificates and rewarding students for academic excellence.

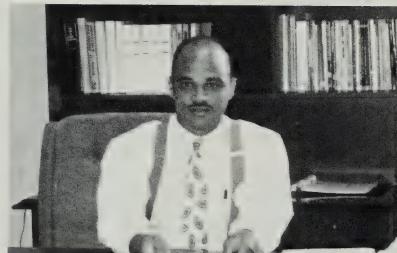


You missed

Mr. House waits to be dunked in the dunking booth. Since at least 75% of the student body signed the Prom Promise students were allowed a chance to dunk him during lunch.

Hard working man

Mr. House appears to be working hard in his office. Mr. House actually spent little time in his office. Most people were used to seeing him in the halls, at lunch, or at a ballgame.



Saying Good-bye

Kristi Brown gives Mr. House a good-bye hug. Mr. House came in with the class of 1995 and he'll be leaving with the class.



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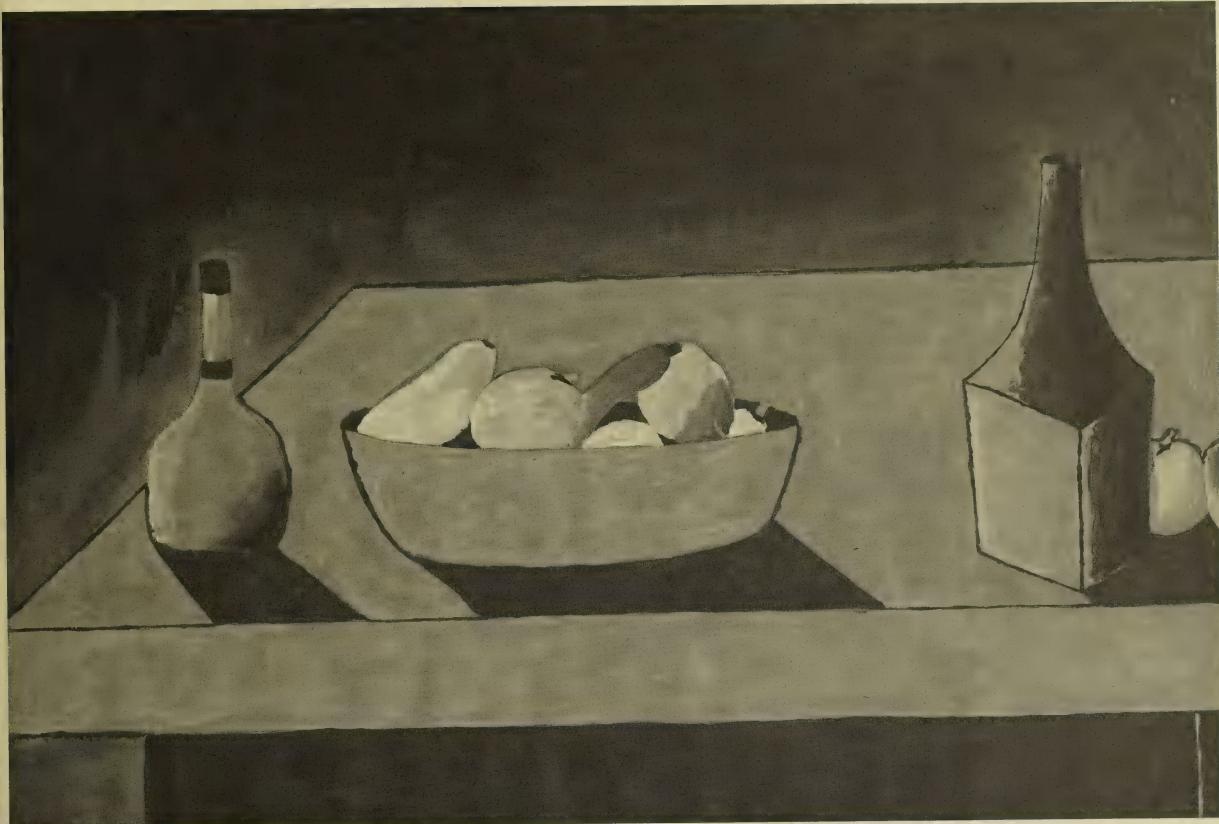


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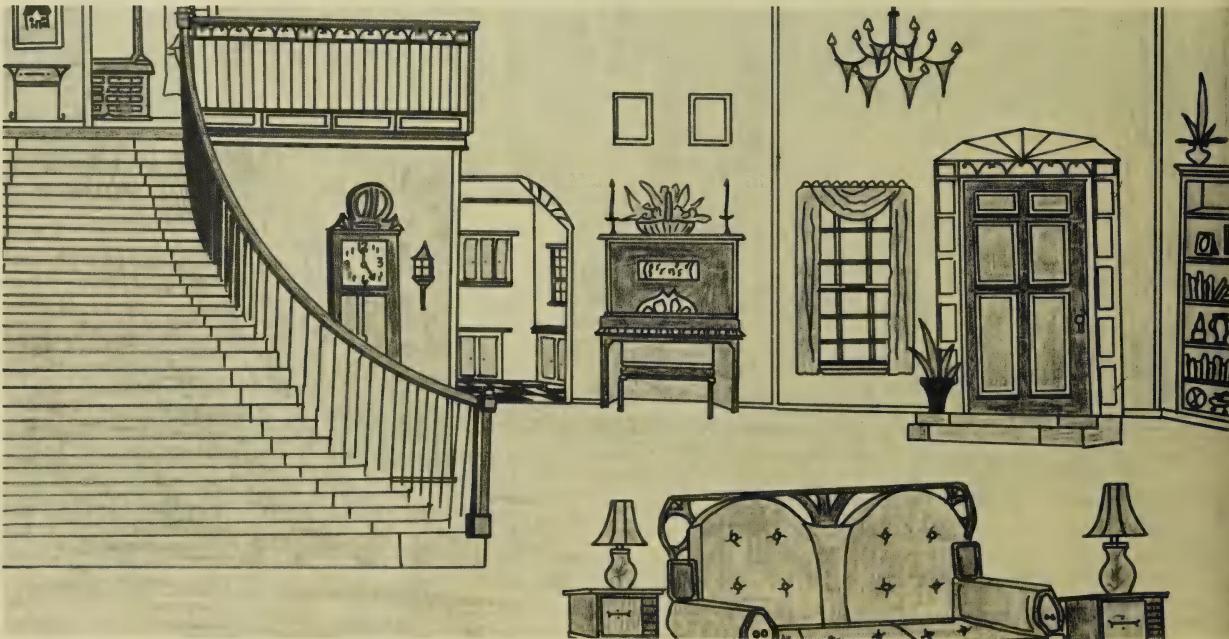
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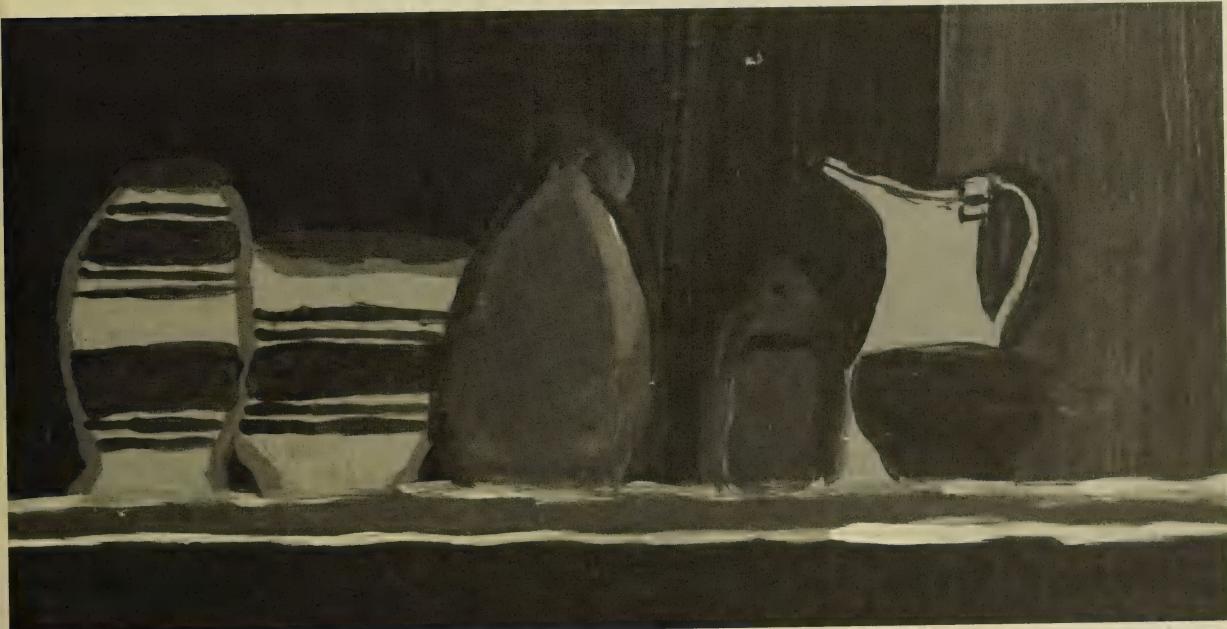
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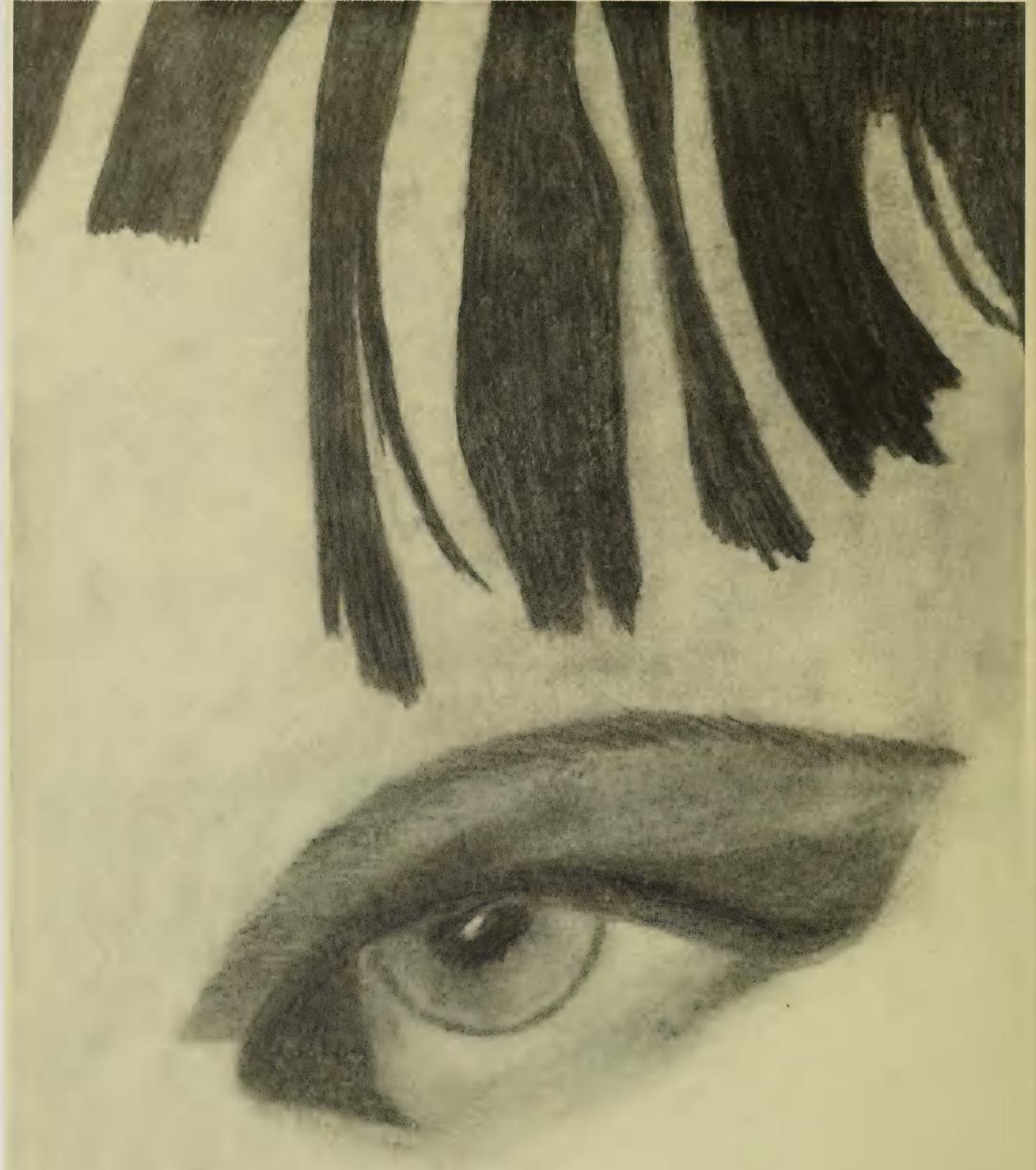
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Anna Bramlett
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Look Out! It's Those Baxter Kids

Amy Baxter
Grade 12

I can remember that Sunday just like it was yesterday. It was a chilly January morning and I rose around ten o'clock. My Dad was cooking breakfast downstairs and had the whole house smelling like bacon. I knew this meant "big breakfast", and I hate eating a lot in the morning. Before collapsing back into my bed, I remembered our plan! I ran into my brother's room and started to shake him.

"Andy! Andy get up!" I said while shaking him roughly.

Andy is my eleven year old brother. I can usually boss him around, but he's not smart enough to realize that he's beginning to outgrow his twelve-year-old sister. Still we get along most of the time.

Anyway, after a few minutes of scratching and rubbing his head, Andy got up and went to eat. I was in my room when I heard my Dad calling me saying it was time to eat. I finished dressing and went downstairs. The whole day was going to be perfect.

During breakfast my Dad informed us that we were going to have to stay with someone because he was called into work. This was not good! I explained to him that Andy and I were old enough to stay alone for a couple of hours. I finally convinced him that we were capable of handling ourselves, and a few minutes later my Dad started to leave the house.

"All right, the phone number is on the counter. You guys be good," he said, standing in the driveway.

"O.K.! We'll be fine." I said. Before I could shut the door my Dad begged, "And please, please don't get that woman next door started."

"Yeah right," I thought while waving an "I'm so innocent" wave back at him.

"That woman next door" is Mrs. Nichols. She's an old lady who yells at us if a ball rolls into her yard and sometimes she threatens to call the police. She tells everyone in the neighborhood how bad Amy and Andy Baxter are. We're known as "those Baxter kids" and when we step outside all eyes are on our every action.

After Andy got dressed he called Aaron, our best friend, to come to our house. While we were waiting for Aaron to ride down, Andy and I went to an old Magnolia tree to inspect our "grenades." Of course they weren't really grenades, just dried mud balls we had made the day before. It was always more fun if we pretended that we were blowing something up rather than hitting a target with a ball of dirt. The big plan was to launch our grenades at the shed in Mrs. Nichols's backyard. Old Mrs. Nichols loves that shed to death. It's red and shaped like a miniature barn, and she just uses it to store garden tools and her noisy riding mower. The worst thing we could think of was to pelt the sides of the shed with the mud balls and see the look on her face when she discovered the bombing.

Andy was about to throw the first grenade when Aaron rolled in. We were running through the yard to greet him when Andy noticed something our cat had left in the bushes that morning.

"Hey, I got a great idea!" Andy said with a devious grin easing across his face.

He ran into the garage and brought out a shovel. He scooped up the cat feces and hurled it at Mrs. Nichols's side porch. The remains flew apart and hit her house at various locations. Aaron and Andy were laughing so hard they couldn't catch their breath. I, on the other hand, caught a whiff of the fresh "cat surprise" and I began hacking and laughing at the same time. Andy scooped up another pile and this time I stood back so I wouldn't get sick. He flung the clump at her house, but it flew out of control and hit the window of her side porch door. There was no way we could leave the brown mass stuck to the window, so Andy had to get a wad of paper towels and clean it off. We left the other pieces, one on the column of the porch and one stuck to the wall, where they were. I know this may sound gross and twisted, and you may think we're mental, but to eleven and twelve year olds, this was an adventure.

Next the shed was to be bombed. For the next hour or so, we threw grenades at the shed. Andy almost busted the window out and only a few were either thrown too hard and went over the shed, or weren't thrown hard enough. After our supply had run out the whole side of the shed was speckled with dirt spots. For the rest of the day we played basketball and watched T.V., occasionally having a good laugh at the brown spots on Mrs. Nichols's house.

Aaron left around five o'clock and my Dad arrived an hour later. Andy and I were upstairs when there came a knock at our back door. It was Mrs. Nichols! My stomach sank and I went to get Andy. Mrs. Nichols led my Dad through the yard so he could inspect the "major vandalism" that was done to her precious shed. My Dad wasn't in the mood to hear her and he walked back inside. He gave us a stern talk and sat down to watch the Super Bowl. Andy and I were still kind of freaked about the whole situation and were glad she hadn't seen the brown markings on the side of her house. If she had, the police were probably going to be on their way.

On Monday the police did arrive and had a talk with us. We were grounded for the next weekend but it didn't matter to us. We had done what we set out to do and it was successful, except the part about getting caught. That was the first battle of the neighborhood war and even though we were caught red-handed it wasn't to be our last skirmish. Every Super Bowl Sunday Andy and I will celebrate the anniversary of the famous "shed bombing." To this very day two brown spots stain the side of Mrs. Nichols's house and every time I see them it reminds me of that chilly Sunday in January, 1989.



Josh Douglas

Grade 10

The Forest

The trees, they tell me secrets.
The grass, it loves me dear.
The clouds, they blow me kisses.
The rain, it takes my fear.
The forest is my place to go,
when I need to get away.
The soft earth makes a pillow,
for my weary head to lay.
The daisies make a cover,
that keeps me safe and warm.
I know my friends will protect me,
from any kind of harm.

Melissa Harrison
Grade 9

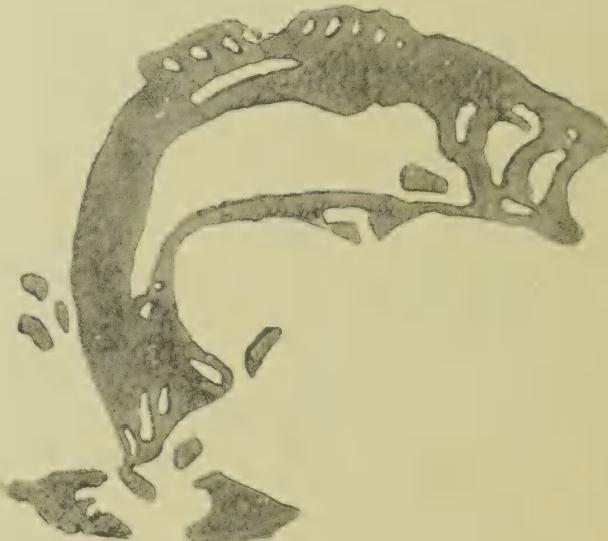


Kelly Buchanan
Grade 9

Lazy Afternoons

Castles and dragons
Grass poking up through my hair
Clouds are pretty things

Angela Martin
Grade 9



Wish

You might say,
How I wish I could fly
You might say,
Being a fish would be fun
Have you ever wondered,
Does a bird wish to walk
Does a fish wish to breathe.

Jamie Lindsay
Grade 11

Jason Beach
Grade 11

Twinkle

Leah Raintree
Grade 9

Long ago, before trees and earth and rainbows and love, even before you and me, there was a sort of nothing. This nothing was slowly turning into a beginning, though.

Onto this nothing a bright burning light shown, and from this new light came many things. Among these dawning creations there was a fish, a bird, a cow, and a twinkle.

When each stepped forward toward the bright burning light, they were each granted one wish. The fish stepped forward first, wishing for water. The water came and the fish swam away. Next the bird came and wished for blue sky. The blue sky came and the bird, too, flew away. The cow came along and wished for green land to graze upon. The pastures came, and she too, was soon out of sight. The twinkle came forth and wished only for love. Her friends had all gone away. Love was the only thing that she desired. Love came and made the twinkle sparkle and glow warmly against the rushing water, the endless blue sky, and the green fields.

As the bright burning light approached the end of it's giving, it slowly sank behind the new brilliant land. As the light disappeared the twinkle still shown and all of the animals on their lonely journeys, stopped to gaze at the sparkling speck in the otherwise dark sky. They all had what was needed for their journey, but none of them seemed fulfilled. When the travelers looked up at the twinkle of light they thought of their friends that had been left behind and others that had began seeking in their own directions. The twinkle gave off very little light, but it warmed them in the crisp night air. None of them could explain the new presence within them and somehow jointly, even though they were far far apart, decided that what they were truly seeking was the power that the twinkle had, the love and warmth that kept them all together. To reach the light would be the ultimate reward.

The twinkle continued to shine every evening after the bright burning light set behind the hills. Every night the animals looked up and took time to remember friends left behind, friends now, and friends in the future. They knew that they were never alone even on the loneliest of nights. This small twinkle of light united them in love, and still now, to this very day, that twinkle still appears above us all, girl or boy, black or white, big or small. It's love is always there for us no matter how hard times may seem.



Jena Ludwig
Grade 11



Coming Down the Mountain

Meagan Johnson

Grade 9

The view from the dining room window was almost miraculous, and Reggie was amazed at the snow that had covered the world and erased the brown ugliness the family had inflicted upon the mountain. Then she looked at the beautiful people that surrounded the table, and she was disgusted. The mountain nurtured them, and so it was all they knew, but it was stifling Reggie's dreams, and slowly, she felt, the mountain was sucking the life out of her.

She watched the father pound butter into the potatoes. The hands were enormous and calloused from sanding the legs of tables, the rungs of chairs, and the drawers of dressers. The long hair hung greasily onto the tremendous camouflaged shoulders, and the head turned toward the grandfather.

"What do you think about that new driver?"

"The Pepsi car?"

"Yeah, that one."

"Ain't ever gonna make it."

The conversation was only a variation on a theme because it was one of the few that the mountain would allow. Reggie stared at the chicken and trudged deeper into her valley of despair. Here Reggie sat in silence, in solitude. She saw the mountain and watched as it crumbled, revealing a world of the incredible richness of knowledge and of dreams.

The voice of her grandmother disturbed the peace and shook Reggie from the vision. "How is school going Reggie?" Her grandmother's voice was soft and reassuring, but echoed from the tired face. There was a warmth, a love that glowed about her. In her eyes Reggie could find a twinkle that she knew was the perseverance of hope. The eyes told Reggie that some decades ago her grandmother had felt the same hopelessness atop the mountain, but in Reggie she saw reason for the hope to persevere.

"Great, Grandma. School is great."

"Like your teachers and all?"

"Yeah, I guess they're pretty cool."

Then the grandfather spoke. "What's that thing you wanted to be Reggie?"

"A photojournalist?"

The grandfather chuckled and Reggie hated him. "That's it. The girl wants to be a journalist. Ellen, how in the world did you raise a daughter to want to be a lying, liberal journalist?"

"Please don't do this, Daddy," came the mother's tiny voice.

"I'll do whatever I damn well please in my own house, Ellen. What in the world do you want to be a journalist for, Reggie? Raising children and putting a meal on the table for your husband is a perfectly respectable thing to do. Your mother and your grandmother are perfectly satisfied taking care of all of us here on the mountain, so what in the world do you want to be a journalist for?"

"I want to get off the mountain, Grandpa."

"What's wrong with the mountain?"

"There's nothing wrong with the mountain, but for seventeen years I've looked down at the world and been amazed at what's spinning around me. I want to see the world, Grandpa. I want to photograph castles in Europe and elephants in Africa and aborigines in Australia."

"Aborigines, bull. Niggers is the same stupid niggers everywhere. Don't matter if they live in Kalamazoo or Timbuktu."

The words were as a sharp blow to what was left of Reggie's soul. Soon in a voice completely flat and barren of emotion came Reggie's reply,

"They may be niggers just the same, Grandpa, but you are the really stupid one."

The sting brought tears to Reggie's eyes, and as the cheek grew red and hot the shockwave journeyed around the table and finally erupted in chaos.

It had been the mother who had assaulted the daughter. Now Ellen stared at the weapon lying folded in the lap. She was humiliated and confused, and Reggie hated her for it. She hated the commandments ingrained by the grandfather so deep into the fibers of the mother's very existence that no education, no new thinking, no new example could erase them. So, Reggie hated her and loved and pitied and prayed for her all in the same moment.

Then, amidst the chaos the voice of hope screamed quietly from the corner, "Let the girl be." Every astonished head turned awkwardly to face Reggie's grandmother, and again the voice cried, "Let the girl be. Listen to her, Jack. She has dreams. I had dreams once. I dreamed of a life away from the mountain. I dreamed of Italy and of the opera. I did. Jack, I dreamed of singing in the opera. But you found me first. I settled for the mountain and for the choir at a church on the mountain, because I knew that dreams were foolish. Foolish dreams, I thought, my life is here. But Reggie has something I never had. This girl has opportunity. She has a head on her shoulders and determination in her heart. Our granddaughter is going places, Jack, and I'm not—we're not—going to stand in her way."

They all sat without moving, but from across the table Reggie felt the warm embrace of love ebbing from within her grandmother, and she thought, Yes Grandpa, I am coming down the mountain.

Melancholy

Melancholy shades of gray
play on my windowsill.
When will it all go away.
When will my heart be still.

Disappointment comes again
and tears my soul apart.
Blood won't wash away my sin
And prayers won't mend my heart.

Wayne Swain
Grade 12

No One

No one knows loneliness like me
No one listens when I scream
No one tears my room apart
to hear the beat within my heart.
No one loves the pain I know
No one cares enough to show
No one cries when I stumble
Or waits to hear my memories crumble.
No one dwells in dark like me
No one sees what I can see
No one bears a fatal scar
That keeps me in eternal war.
If I could stop the chain of time
Could keep the rising sun
Then I would be as I can see
And forever no one

April St. Clair
Grade 12

Hellbound

The ringing in the dell,
I can hear the hounds of hell.
They're calling from below,
They catch me from behind.

I'm running, I'm running,
And yet they keep coming.
I'm running, I'm running,
And yet I keep falling.

I run towards the hills,
With them clawing at my heels.
Away from my torn ankle,
The skin just peels.

They're coming after me,
And yet I keep falling.
I'm cursing, I'm cursing,
And nothing I do is working.

Soon they will catch me,
And this is all I will tell.
They take my sinning soul,
And drag it down the fiery gates,
of Hell.

Jeff Hallauer
Grade 12



Jeff Hallauer
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Wings

Matthew A. Dooley

Grade 9

It was a very bright morning when I took off from my base. I was not afraid of dying because our people consider dying for our country an honor. We had almost reached our target when I noticed my plane was not flying properly. The plane in front of me started his dive and I followed. Little did I know what would happen next. Out of the blue came a series of shots fired at me from several Chinese ground troops. I was hit directly in the engine. My plane started to loose altitude rapidly. I looked down and saw a woman looking at me with the most confused look I had ever seen. The next thing I knew, I had hit the ground and was lying slumped over in the seat.

Several minutes passed before I realized what had happened. Out of the window I could see the same woman I had seen from the air coming toward me. As she got closer I saw that she did not look like me. I judged from the slant of her eyes and the fact that her feet were small that she was a Chinese woman. She hesitated getting too close because she was afraid of me and my plane. The old woman took her cane, tapped my plane and drew back quickly. When she realized that it would not hurt her, she got closer and reached in toward me. I was too confused to talk, so I acted as if I were dead. She drug me out of my plane onto the ground. I was not scared because I knew she could do me no harm. I let her do as she wished. She decided to take me back to her village, which by now was completely destroyed. I had high hopes of getting something to eat and drink. She sat me down on the dike and she left. While she was gone, I started to feel funny. I laid down hoping it would make me feel better. My body turned blue and I was having a lot of trouble breathing. I could not continue to live in such pain. I reached into my pocket and pulled out my suicide kit. I quickly injected myself and no longer felt any pain. At least I know that I died for my country.



Lost Somewhere

The lines fall straight until they're older,
Forgetting the goodness they had;
Touching the edge of a pinpoint razor,
Until they've split and have bled.

They fall into a pool of darkness below,
Not realizing what they have to do.
The dreams that they had are swept away,
Never to see the light of the sun.

Take your dream and hold it tight,
Never wavering from your mind.
Concentrate on the road ahead,
And never let it fall behind.

There's a goodness to feel, a light in your heart,
That grows mangled and dirty and gray.
The subconscious lines, held tight in your hand,
Becoming brittle and begin to fray.

There's a sun somewhere, the meaning of life,
Behind the gate of the mind's eye,
Wandering loose and without freedom,
And constantly wondering why.

Aaron Noe
Grade 10



Jena Ludwig
Grade 10



Caleb Jackson
Grade 12

Tobacco Cup

He is always there, sitting
He is always there, listening,
tobacco in his cup,
pressed gently to his ear.
He bothers no one.
No one comes near.
Like an old shoe, tossed away
People see, and always say
Never aloud, always to themselves.
By himself, but amidst passing feet.
Like a broken car on a busy street.
He is always there, sitting
He is always there, listening
tobacco in his cup,
pressed gently to his ear.

Jamie Lindsay
Grade 11

The Little Red Caboose Cafe

Bryan Overstreet

Grade 12

The view on looking at the cafe would give you the impression of abandonment. The Little Red Caboose Cafe still sits today on the rusted rails it once glided on, with the train that carried it for so long. Now, that train is hardly visible, unseen for the vines, grass, and weeds that swallow it's existence. However, it is still there, untouched by man since it's last run. Passengers' luggage still sits in the aisles and seats, unwashed dishes in the food cart now deteriorated from flocks of rodents, and old currency left in the registers of the souvenir cart, show signs of an urgent rush of people to depart the train. But what really happened? Why did everyone aboard leave the way they did? Why was the train left sitting alone without any desire of running again? If you visit the Little Red Caboose Cafe, you will definitely have a story to tell, if you don't loose your mind first.

The cafe is the only part of the train left in operation. It was renovated as a small diner and rest stop for motorists touring the scenic backroads of Virginia. Rumor has it one of the railroad engineers bought the land from the government to fix it up. And what a fine job he did.

I once visited the cafe to get a different view of the place. I wasn't really surprised however that it, on the insideit looks, exactly the same as it did back in the 1930's. The waitress, Margaret, was even dressed in 1930's attire. As I entered, there was a man sitting at the counter on a barstool. He seemed extremely familiar; however, I had gotten a cold look and feeling as I sat next to him.

"How can I help you today?" asked Margaret.

"Oh, I'll have your special," I replied.

"Are you from around these parts?" Margaret asked.

"You could say that," I said as I chuckled to myself. "So, tell me about this cafe. It seems interesting to me, I mean, I really haven't understood why the train was abandoned so quickly, left sitting to rust."

"Well, it all happened back in 1937. A man by the name of John Thorpe, I think it was, bought a ticket to Bluefield. The whole trail was packed full of people. Some big flea market and bluegrass festival was going on that day. After the train had started on the excursion, he wandered to the caboose to take a look. Everyone walked all through the train, it was part of the fun back then. Anyway, no one was supposedly allowed in the caboose at that time, and he went anyway. Evidently, the rear operator, Mack, had informed him that it was off limits. They broke into a scuffle, and they were both knocked off the train. John's neck was caught under a wheel. You could hear his scream for about a half of a mile and then a big "crunch". His body was almost fossilized into the steel wheels as the train kept going. His head was left behind on the tracks, eyes open and all." As she told me this she laid my order on the counter. It wasn't too appetizing then. She kept on however.

"The train stopped immediately after the scream. All passengers rushed to the end of the train to see what happened. Most were so disgusted with what they saw that they left right then and there. Others remained however, but in shock. The conductor had then made an announcement that the train wouldn't make the run to Bluefield."

My appetite had come back, I picked up my fork to eat. She continued her story after a slight pause.

"Then it happened," she said.

I lost my appetite again, wondering what she was going to tell me next.

"What?" I asked.

"John reappeared on the train. Some say he was a ghost but no one really knows what they saw because they all exited the train, leaving all of their belongings behind. They were never seen or heard from again."

"Whatever happened to Mack?" I asked. "Didn't he fall off the train too?"

Margaret started to open her mouth to tell me when the man next to me spoke out, startling both Margaret and me.

"His skull was busted on impact with the ground," he said.

"How do you know?" I responded.

"I've heard the story many times," he replied.

I turned to look at him and then turned to look at Margaret.

"That's an amazing story," I said. "Is it really true?"

"I don't know. I mean, I've never seen any ghosts in here before but all of my customers claim they have. They say when they are eating they can sometimes feel a presence or awkward feeling that someone is watching them."

"Well, that's just amazing," I repeated. I wadded up my napkin and threw it on the plate as I got up from the stool.

I smiled at Margaret as I turned to walk away. "It's been nice, Margaret," I said as I waved bye.

"How did you know my name?" she asked. "I never told you."

I didn't say anything at first. I just smiled at Mack as he got up from his barstool and headed towards me smiling.

"Now you can say your story is true," I said as Mack and I vanished in the walls of the Little Red Caboose.



Jeff Hallauer

Grade 12

C-15

Mattio

Sarah Landis
Grade 11

Mattio was born the runt of the litter to Big Mamma Fox of the eastern barnyard. He had never had many friends because of his size. The other barnyard animals had a field day, teasing and laughing at Mattio because of his puny size, his inability to play games very well, and the apron strings he still had attached to his mother.

Mattio did have one friend, the sweet-faced girl fox named Elaine. She was a little younger than Mattio and so he had always taken it upon himself to watch out for her.

In mid-autumn, during the harvests of the crops, there was always a huge celebration. This celebration always had gargantuanous amounts of food, spirited partying, and of course the annual barnyard games.

One of these games was similar to our modern day football. Although Mattio was the last to be picked, he was happy to participate. All through the game he felt like he had cinder blocks tied to his feet. He couldn't seem to do anything right. He couldn't run fast enough, and he couldn't seem to get in the right place to complete a pass. He started to think to himself about all the things the barnyard animals would have to laugh and tease him about after the game.

The last play of the game came and the score was tied. Mattio was feeling pretty down with himself and couldn't wait to get out of the game. As the team ran the play, Mattio managed to get to where he was supposed to be (probably due to the fact that the other team did not think him a threat and he was not covered). All of a sudden he saw the ball spiraling toward him. He was so shocked, he almost lost his footing, but recovered enough to catch the ball. Mattio made a mad dash for the goal and made it!

All of the team realized what had happened and swarmed around Mattio joining together in a chorus of praise.

"Mattio! Mattio! Mattio..."

Within those few seconds Mattio left behind his loneliness and joined the ranks of the barnyard gang. Never again, except in jest, would he be the subject of their jokes. He felt elated.

The rest of the afternoon went by in a blur. Mattio was on cloud nine, but through the foggy haze of his new found friends; Mattio failed to see Elaine, left in the background, sorrow in her face over the loss of her best friend.

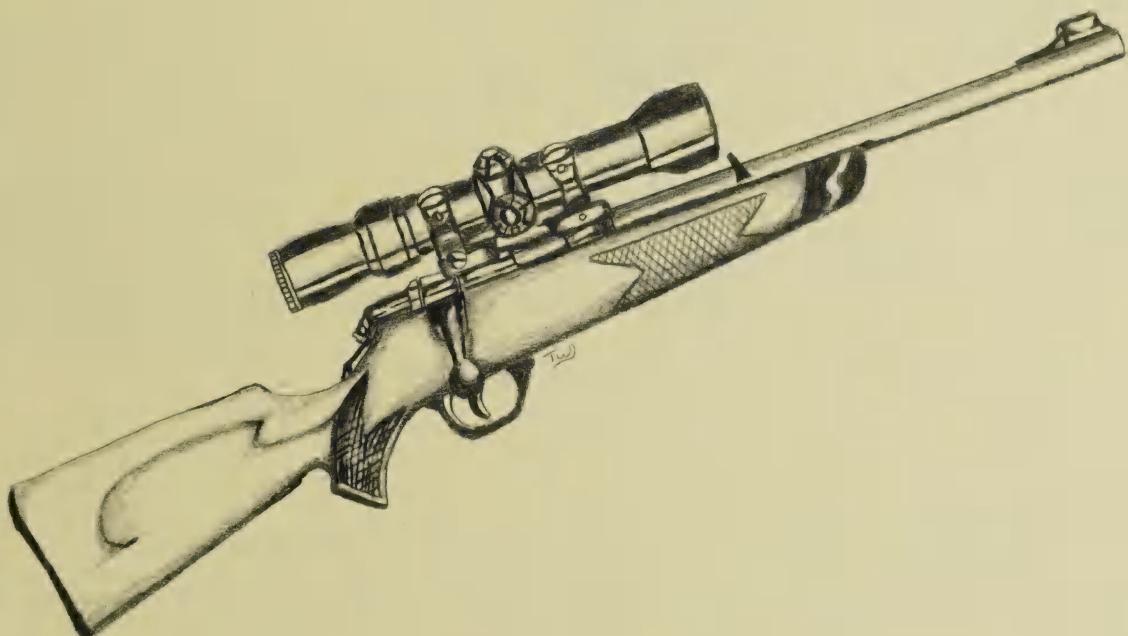


Sarah Abromowitz
Grade 10

Barrel

Together we had so much fun,
You said that I was the only one,
But you were cheating and on the run,
How do you like staring
Down the barrel of my gun?

Amy Baxter
Grade 12



Travis Wingfield
Grade 12



Sarah Abromowitz
Grade 10

Not In Stone Creek

Angela Hatcher
Grade 11

I, Nathaniel David Persinger, am living, no rather dying with AIDS. Don't sympathize, the last thing I need from you is your pity. Really it's not that bad. The thought of dying doesn't sadden me that much. My family's disapproval does though.

I grew up in Stone Creek, Alabama, an extremely rural town of mostly farmland. My twin brother Douglas and I both went to Central Heights, the local high school. Douglas was very smart. He was the straight A, valedictorian type, which somehow compensated for his shyness. I admired Douglas. I was never gifted in academics. I could however handle a football as if it were second nature. Our senior year I learned I had won a full scholarship to UCLA. Douglas had received scholarships too. With his grades he could have easily gone to Harvard or Yale, but Daddy was real sick. Mama needed someone to stay and help with the farm, so Douglas remained at home and settled for community college, which allowed me to go to college. That was the greatest gift he has ever given me. It's a true shame that I wasted my college years in such a way that is now leading to my destruction. I should have been more appreciative. I now realize that, but it's too late to save my life.

The first two years of college were great. I easily adapted to the change in community size. Coming from Stone Creek, I thought moving to Los Angeles would be difficult, but it wasn't. My classes were going surprisingly well, and football was the best. I wrote to Emma, my high school sweetheart every week. She was going to college about 20 miles from Stone Creek, and she did local pageants to fund her tuition. My love for her grew with every letter, and we planned to marry when I returned to Alabama. Then in my junior year, I met Deidre. Deidre was like no one I had ever met. I guess she could be described as a rebellious teenager who had finally broken away. She used to tell me stories of her teen years. How she was a beautiful debutante at her sweet 16 party, her high school homecoming queen, and the head cheerleader. Then she said she "just changed", and her life took on a whole new meaning. She was almost perfect, except for one fault, she was really into drugs. Sometimes we would just sit in bars late at night, drinking and smoking. Other times we would just go to some back alley and shoot up. I thought that I love Deidre, but obviously the feeling was less than mutual. I found out that my father passed away, and she wasn't there for me. I got kicked out of school half way through senior year and she wasn't there either. I had lost all contact with Emma, because of my relationship with Deidre. That's when I started getting sick. It seemed that I always had a horrible cold. I started to bruise easily. I went to the doctor and he ran many tests. They all came back positive, HIV positive. I was shocked at first, but now I have settled down. I still haven't told my family yet. They don't know about college either. Right now, I'm on a plane headed back to Stone Creek. It's time to face the music.

Douglas met me at the airport. After exchanging hellos, we headed home. We had a three hour drive home.

"How is school?" Douglas inquired.

"Well actually, I'm uh not going. I...I was kicked out."

"What?!! Why?!"

"That's not all of it Doug. I also,"

"Also what?"

"I also have AIDS."

A look of disgust fell over Doug's face. He found a place on the side of the road and pulled over. We sat in silence for a while then Douglas started to cry.

"How did it happen?" He asked trying to remain calm.

"I got tangled up with the wrong people. It could have been the drugs, but I won't swear by it."

"You wasted your chance. You could have been so much more. So could I, you took my chance too!"

"I am sorry. I know that can never make up for it. Just promise me you will support me. Please I need you now."

"I looked up to you. You were always so popular. I used to wish I was you. Now I'm glad that I'm not."

"Please don't be vindictive. I haven't come here for forgiveness, just for your support."

"Well you came for the wrong reasons." Douglas shouted coldly as we continued to drive.

The remainder of the trip was in silence. I felt Doug's pain growing inside of me. The only thing I could offer him were my apologies, but this time a mere sorry wasn't good enough. We arrived home late that night and Mama was already asleep. I quietly made my way up to the tiny bedroom that I once shared with Doug. He followed me up the stairs, and took his pillow and blanket.

"I'm going to sleep on the couch," he muttered under his breath.

Silently he returned down the stairs as I crawled into bed.

That night I lay awake thinking about the past day. I wondered if Mama would react the way Douglas had. Then I prayed that she wouldn't.

The next morning I heard a rustle in the kitchen. I went downstairs hoping it was Mama. I was in luck.

"My baby. My sweet baby." Her soft voice spoke. "Come let me look at you."

"Hi Mama." I said wearily. "I came in last night with Doug."

Then as if he heard me, Doug entered the room.

"Honey, why did you sleep on the couch last night?" Mama asked, as Doug walked in.

"Ask Nathaniel." Doug said hatefully. "I'm sure he can tell you."

Mama glanced at me and I suddenly felt nervous.

"Well I'm waiting." She said.

"Can you excuse us please Doug?" I asked.

"Certainly dear brother." Doug responded snidely.

Once he left the room my mother and I sat at the table. I took her hand and said, "Mama take a deep breath, I have some bad news."

"OK." She said hesitantly.

"I got expelled from college."

"What?"

"No wait there's more. I also have ... I also have Aids."

"Dear God." She screamed as her hands flew to her head. "No! You're lying, not my son! Never! Not in Stone Creek!"

"It's true Mama, I'm sorry."

"Get out of my house! I want you out!"

"Mama!"

"No get out. I want you out by noon."

"Yes Mama."

I started my way upstairs to get my things in stunned silence. I only stopping to say Good-bye to Douglas, who ignored me.

After packing my things, I left my house and went to Emma's. She seemed surprised when she answered the door.

"Nathaniel." She said nervously.

"Hi Emma." I said.

I heard a voice in the other room then a tall, handsome, man walked behind Emma.

"Uh, Nathaniel, I'd like you to meet Michael, my husband."

"Nice to meet you." I said insincerely.

"Yes, nice to meet you also." He replied.

"I just wanted to say hello while I was in town. I have to go."

"OK. I'll be seeing you." Emma said.

"Yeah." I said back. Somewhat sarcastically.

In a taxi, on my way back to the airport, I realized I had no one. There was no one left to care for me. I'll die alone.

Two months later in a local newspaper:

Obituary

Persinger, Nathaniel D.

Nathaniel David Persinger, 22, originally from Stone Creek, Alabama, passed away on Monday, November 8, 1993. He is survived by his mother, Christina Appleton Persinger, and brother, Douglas Persinger, both of Stone Creek, Alabama. Services well be held on Tuesday, November 9, 11 a.m. at Villa Park Mortuary. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Los Angeles City Aids Council.



Remelea

Matt Spencer

Grade 10

Now, before I begin to tell you the story of my frightening, mysterious, and all together unnerving experience with the beautiful, seductive, and somewhat tragic girl who called herself Remelea. I think it would be wise that I tell you something about myself. First of all, my name is Dennis Lorny, I am 18 years old, and I live in Bedford, Virginia, with my parents, and my two younger brothers. I have thin brown hair, which I keep neatly combed, and sometimes I spike it. I have a dark, soft complexion, and I am five foot six. I have a fairly demented sense of humor. I don't go in for doing cruel things to animals or slashing tires, or anything like that, but I do have a knack for telling perfectly psychotic jokes, and if I am in the right crowd, I can inspire fits of hysterical laughter. I am sitting here now, at a word processor computer, recording my tale, in its disturbing entirety, and I swear deeply, upon all that I hold sacred that it is entirely, and undeniably true.

One week has passed since the proceeding events came about, and more or less, resolved themselves. On Friday afternoon, late summer, in the year of 1994, I had started on my way home from a three day fan club convention in Richmond. I had spent four days in that grand city, capital of the state, and instead of returning home so soon, I had decided to prolong this wonderful way of living out of the suit case, by passing through Bedford and spending the weekend in the city of Roanoke. I still had some money and clothes left from my trip, and the instinct of adventure in me, which has ever found lodgings in my rambunctious soul, could not bear to return to the quiet and unsatisfied world of home life so soon, even though I would be leaving for college in two weeks.

Ah, college. It is the place in which I shall meet and interact with a wide and grand variety of marvelous and wonderful people, and we shall come together in glorious conversations, and we shall in our talking, learn more about ourselves and of the world more than any of us shall ever in our lives, learn from any of our professors. But tonight, I would be alone, and I had no thought on my mind, but of the utter adventure of being alone in a strange place, which the hotel room I would rent would obviously be, as well as the thought of seeing Roanoke. After calling my mom on a pay phone, I found a Hardees, and walked in with not much more on my mind than a cheeseburger. As I walked through the door, I noticed a stunningly beautiful young woman, about my age, sitting in a booth alone in the far corner of the restaurant.

From where I was I could see that she was probably a little over average height, with full and wavy dark brown hair. Her eyes were dark with thick lashes, and her nose was somewhat aquiline. She was wearing a loose green blouse and cutoffs, and she was sipping on some sort of soft drink. As I took in her appearance, I suddenly realized, beyond the shadow of a doubt, that I had seen this individual someplace before. Yes, I remembered, back in Bedford, in that old used bookstore. She had been talking with some friends, one of whom was a good friend of mine. When I went to say "hi" to this friend, she had looked up and had said flirtatiously, "Hello, sexy, how are you?"

I remember that I had returned the flirt, in my characteristic way, and my friend had introduced us, the way people introduce their friends to each other, even though they know full well that the two people aren't likely to ever see each other again. Ah, yes. I remembered her all right, but it seemed as though I had seen her before even before that day, in some other place, under darker circumstances, but just now I could not seem to place just where. I ordered a cheeseburger, and decided to go talk to her.

Approaching in my usual straight forward manner, I said, "Hello, how's it going?"

She looked up, looking either surprised or confused, and said, "Hi. I'm fine. How are you?"

"Fine. Say, you're that girl that was hanging out with William that day, aren't you?"

"Yeah, that's me. Your name is Dennis, right?"

I was surprised that she remembered my name. "Uh, yahoo, Dennis, Dennis Lorny." I sounded like Sawn Connery in a James Bond movie.

"Now what's your name again? I can't remember. I'm horrible with names."

She smiled and answered playfully, "Remelea." As she said this, I saw that her teeth were unusually pointed, as if she had sculpted them with a nail file. There was an animal quality to her smile, and to her eyes, which seemed to flare with primitive wildness. It was maddening, sensual.

"That's a nice name." *Oh, God, that's got to be the weirdest name I have ever heard.*

"So, what brings you to Roanoke?" She asked.

"Ah, just a weekend pleasure trip. It's something I've been wanting to do all summer. How 'bout you?"

"Oh, I live here now. I moved here towards the beginning of the summer."

"You mean your parents made you move away from safe, quiet Bedford into this mean old big city?" I said jokingly.

She looked at me funny, like people look at strange animals, and then said "Oh, my parents died, and I couldn't find any good work in Bedford, so I found a good job here, and now I got an apartment, and so I kinda got everything worked out."

I was intrigued by her bravery. "I'm sorry to here that about your parents. Are you doing OK now?"

"Oh, I'm just fine." To my surprise, she said this without a trace of sarcasm.

"So, by the way, what college are you going to go to?"

As I spoke, her eyes took on a strange look, very grim and serious, one that I would not have expected to see in her usually beautiful, and life filled eyes. But even in all that seriousness, there still seemed to be that fearsome, and erotic look of animalistic ferocity. Her head had turned to the window, and was staring up into the sky at the moon. It shown down on the parking lot, bathing it in a blue light. I had not realized, until now, that it had grown quite dark. It must have been six when I had left Richmond, and now I supposed it was nine or so. The moon was not full, but was in it's crescent stage, and was bright and unclouded.

And then she spoke. "I'm not going to college."

"Why not?" I asked. I now had two motives in mind; one to inspire self confidence in her against whatever barrier she felt she was facing, and to charm her. "I'm sure you'd do good if you did go."

She smiled weakly at me, perhaps finding this sweet. "I don't think I'd fit in there, at a college. You see, Dennis, I've got problems of my own that I wouldn't feel right burdening others with, and I know it'd get out, eventually, and well...you know."

"No, I don't know. And I really don't think a problem exists that wouldn't be worth helping a nice girl like you lick."

She laughed at this hardly, and then started very frankly, "I ain't no nice girl."

Without really thinking about what I was saying, I said to her, "Now, I know a nice girl when I see one." That, I know, had been a rather stupid thing to say.

She looked flattered, but then she leaned very close to me, and said in a low, haunting whisper, "You don't know me."

"I'd like to." I said, repressing a shudder.

She smiled. "No, you wouldn't."

Remelea and I must have spent another half hour or so talking. She was a fascinating and intriguing person. It seemed that she was like a powerful drug that I could not escape the influence of, like a narcotic with such a powerful pull on me, that I now felt I must have to leave. I did not realize this at the time, but it seemed as though what I felt for Remelea went beyond mere physical feelings that I had ever experienced in my life, and perhaps even beyond love, and I still am not entirely sure what I felt for her, or what drew me to her, but even now, as I look back on these things, I still cannot say that I regret what has gone by, or that the paths of Remelea and myself crossed. But I will get to that. Now, I must continue my story.

"I have to go now." She said finally.

"Mind if I walk out to your car with you?" I asked, and was taken up on my offer.

As we walked out through the parking lot, something caught her eye. It was a cop, fairly well built, with a small beard, standing over by a blue Honda, writing up a ticket. His own car was parked beside it, and I could see his partner sitting inside, waiting patiently. Before it dawned on my tired brain that the car belonged to her, she had started over to the cop. Instinctively, I followed.

But instead of politely asking him what the problem was, she angrily approached him, and raising her voice said, "What the hell are you doing?"

The officer started, and not sure what to make of this, said coolly, "Miss, your registration sticker is expired. Now, is there any reason why you...?"

Suddenly, at a speed that was almost too fast to see, Remelea's hand shot out, and seizing the cop by the throat, hurled him back against his own car, with a strength I would not have thought her capable of exerting. This was all happening very fast, and I could see the cop's partner exiting the other side of the car.

I decided that all this was going too far, and I had to intervene. "Remelea!" I said, my hand pulling on her shoulder, but suddenly, to my shock, she snarled like an animal as she swirled around, and I felt those sharp teeth of hers gash my arm. The Blood ran down over my hand, and dripped onto the ground. My god, I thought, how deep had her teeth cut? Perhaps it had been some trick of the light, but as her head spun back around, I thought I saw that hair had sprouted on the sides of her face, and her eye brows had grown great and bushy, connecting together, and joining the rest of her hair.

The other officer came at her from the side, but she grabbed him by the collar, lifted him into the air, and actually hurled him across the parking lot. He landed on his side, and lay there moaning, clutching his shoulder in pain. I myself had fallen back, horrified, confused and not knowing really what to think of all this. My T-shirt, which I had clutched to my arm, had turned red with blood. Meanwhile, Remelea had turned her attention to the apparently injured man, and was now walking slowly towards him, her head bent forward. She approached him silently, her eyes blazing with some sort of devilish passion.

Oh, please, Remelea. Don't do this thing, please. But at that instant, the first cop, who had by now regained his senses, ran up behind her, and quickly seizing her hands, cuffed her. As he read her rights, I walked over to the other cop to see how badly he had been hurt. It turned out that he had only been stunned, but it was clear that he was still in some pain.

"Geez," he said, "and I thought my ex-wife had bad PMS. That your girlfriend, son?"

"No, I just met her tonight. She seemed pretty nice, 'till now."

"Say, that's a nasty wound on your arm there. Are you OK? How did that happen?"

"Oh, I'm fine now. She bit me." He looked at me funny, and then went back to his car without a word. The other officer was still talking to Remelea.

"OK, Miss, that's enough. I don't usually find myself saying this to a lady, but you're spending the night in the box. That is unless your boyfriend here is willing to..."

"No!" She said sharply, "I'll come along quietly." I looked at her face. It was calm and subdued. There was no unusual facial hair. Our eyes met, and they seemed to say, "Do not worry. We shall meet again soon, you and I."

I lay in bed at my hotel. I was dozing. The room was dark. Earlier, I had treated the wound on my arm with peroxide and warm water. I had gotten the peroxide right before going to the hotel. I had enjoyed the glamorous night in Roanoke as I had hoped. No way that a little adventure like that was going to be enough for me. I was confident that I had cleansed the bite of any bacteria. I was feeling quite light-headed, and I was actually not entirely certain whether my eyes were opened or closed. I remember that as the time passed, all of my thoughts gradually became a total blur. The room now seemed to be spinning, as if it had been torn from the rest of the building, and had been hurled through the air.

Gradually, images began to form in my clouded head. Images of horrible mutilated and mangled bodies, hundreds, even thousands of them, tossed into a gigantic pile. So hideous were these things, that I doubted that the sanity of even a man with all the grace and might of God behind him may not withstand these abominations. I have never taken drugs in my life, and I never plan to, but at this time, I wondered if when I had been cleaning my arm, I had gotten curious, took a snort of peroxide and then forgotten about it, and I would remember in the morning, possibly with a bad head ache, and would have learned a valuable lesson.

Oh, God, I hope so. For it was all so real and un-dream like. The corpses in the pile began to move, and the corpses began to squirm and wiggle from within the bounds of death, which had for so long controlled their tormented souls. Even in their seemingly dead eyes, I could see an undeniable flicker of wisdom and knowing. It was the knowing that they had, in breaking the chains of death, they had broken the chains of all that had ever bound them, beyond their own moral beliefs, the few beliefs that any of them had ever held truly sacred. We were no longer in my hotel room, my phantoms and I, no.

We all now hung in a great oblivion. A great group of men and women came running towards me, calling out for me, calling for me to join them. Slowly, too gradually for my ears to track, the calling voices became the howling of wolves. The mob of people had become a great pack of

wolves. My eyes met with those of the wolf that led the pack, a great, dark gray female wolf. Who had she been as a human? And before I knew it, was down on all fours and was running with the wolf pack! It was delirium!

I awoke! I realized, to my relief, that it had not been the result of any improper use of peroxide. In fact, I had once had the dream before, but it had seemed so much more vivid this time. I jerked up to a sitting posture again, and then got to my feet. My clothes were soaked in sweat, and my mouth was watering. I was thirsty, so thirsty. *Get out of this room! Go down stairs and get a Lipton Ice Tea out of a drink machine or something, before the thirst drives you insane!* I glanced at my watch. 1:22. *I should be as worn out as the smelly socks I wore today. Why aren't I tired?*

I got up and went outside. The hotel, outside of my room, had one of those outdoor walkways. To my delight, I found that a drink machine was on my floor, and it had exactly what I wanted. I put my money in, pushed the button, and the can fell into the holder. My throat seemed to expand in relief as the cold liquid went down. I drank it all down in a matter of seconds. It was as if I had not had anything to drink in days. I took in a deep breath, and realized that I was smelling somewhat rank.

I went back into my room and took a good long shower. When I came out, I was feeling very restless, and decided to take a little walk. That three hours sleep I had gotten had certainly refreshed me. But as I walked, some strange things occurred to me about Remelea. They probably meant nothing, but they were disturbing all the same. The oddest thing, perhaps, was that when she had told me of her parents' deaths, she had shown no sign of sorrow or hurt.

Furthermore, when she had said that she had gotten a job, she had not given the slightest hint of what that job was. These things were odd, but they presented no grounds for actual suspicion. But wait a moment though... there had been something else, much less evident but far more alarming. It had not escaped me that her teeth had been somewhat sharper than normal, but when she had bitten me—that being quite disturbing in itself—her teeth had cut unusually deep, and it had caused rather heavy bleeding. What manner of woman was this?

Had she murdered her parents? *No Dennis, push these thoughts out of your head now.* I tried, but within my jumbled mind, I could not part Remelea and suspicion. My mind just kept repeating to me over and over, *Remelea Danger, Danger Remelea, Remelea is Danger, Danger is Remelea.* Whether these were mad suspicions or not, there was one thing in my heart that I knew, and that was that Remelea and I would meet again, for good or ill, and that nothing on earth could prevent this.

I walked across the parking lot to the lobby, where the hotel clerk, a cheerful looking elderly gentleman, sat behind a long checker-tiled counter. When I entered the building, I was surprised that he looked in my direction and then called me over.

"Oh, sir, we tried calling you up in your room, but you weren't there. There's a young lady here to see you. She's sitting over there, in that chair."w

My blood froze in my veins, and my heart began to beat so fast that I thought it may explode from within my chest. A million things must have raced through my mind before I turned to look. No, it was not Remelea. It could not be Remelea. How could it possibly be her? She'd been arrested. But I knew with all my soul that it had to be her. *Oh God, please don't let it be her. I could not face her with what I think I may know.* Slowly, almost against my will, I turned. My eyes moved over the rows of chairs, which had been set up in the lobby. And then I saw, sitting along in the far right corner of the room, the unmistakable figure of Remelea.

She sat there, composed, looking at me with those blazing animal eyes, which bore no indication that she was about to say something along the lines of, *Oh you're confused, I guess. I'll explain. It's a complicated story.*

"Hello, Dennis," she said, as if it were an everyday encounter, and the horrible chain of events had not taken place.

"Remelea. How did you get out of jail?"

"I never got to jail, silly. Those two cops were both suckers for a pretty face. They probably would have let me go, anyway. All I needed to do was to send some subliminal messages, and use some good bribery techniques." She refused to say anything more than this, and it made all the suspicions I had held before increase. But before I could say a word, she put her arms around my neck, and kissed me passionately. I was surprised, but was anything but alarmed. I felt as though I was growing drunk on it, and I nearly forgot all of my fears and my suspicions, as if that had been... what she had meant to happen.

She drew away, and my head was spinning, as if I had taken a blow to the head, only this was not like that. This was good, and I wanted to be hit with this again. I drew her close again, and was about to kiss her, when I heard the old man say, "OK y'all. That's not what this place is for. Take it someplace else."

I had every intention of obeying, but right about then, that violent little part of me wanted to attack the old stick-in-the-mud on the spot. As Remelea and I walked out, I glanced back and thought I saw her eyeing the old man, in an attitude of deep and powerful hatred. As soon as we were out the door, we embraced and began to kiss once again. It must have lasted more than a minute. All thoughts in my head were gone, obliterated. It must have lasted me a minute or so before my brain began functioning properly, because the next thing I remember was her leading me by the hand, up behind the lobby and into a group of trees beyond.

It's only a group of trees, I thought. It goes back fifty feet or so, and there's another stretch of highway. But as I looked out into the darkness, I realized that this was untrue, and that there was a great forest awaiting us.

"Come," she said, "I want to show you something." Her eyes were staring off into the woods, not at the woods in general, but at something in particular. I followed her gaze to a small cat, a stray that had wandered into the woods. I was about to ask her something when she suddenly took off, and began to run after the cat, which bolted into the supposed safety of the trees. Remelea followed, ever determined. I took off in pursuit of them. Now, I am by no means a champion runner, but when I have sufficient cause, I can run like the wind, and I knew I was going to be running my tail off over this.

I lost sight of her for a few seconds, as I struggled through some brush which she had passed through with almost superhuman ease. But then, as we reached a clearing, I saw her perfectly and distinctly. As the moonlight shone down on her, she looked taller and far more powerful than I had ever seen her before. I could not see the cat, but I knew that she could still see it. Other than the fact that it was the object of Remelea's pursuit, the cat was of no interest to me. Remelea was the only thing that interested me now.

A huge rock, most likely thirty feet in height, rose from the ground. Remelea ran towards it, and ran up the slanted side of it. I knew what she was going to do. As she went up the rock, she suddenly slipped, or at least I thought she slipped, and fell forward. This gave me some time to close the distance. I thought I was going to catch her, but she continued up the side of the rock on all fours, not very gracefully, but more gracefully than

most people walk on all fours. As I started to climb the rock, to my horror she dove, headfirst and arms outstretched, off the ledge.

As I reached the ledge, I myself slipped, and nearly fell to the hard ground below. I caught hold of a vine of some sort and pulled myself to safety. I observed the scene below and saw the horrified cat. Where I thought Remelea would have been, if the fall did not injure her, there was a huge, grey wolf. It ran for the cat and overtook it. What happened then was a gruesome sight, and I need not describe it further. As the wolf enjoyed its meal, I shivered and looked out over the area, searching for Remelea. I could see no sign of her, but suddenly my eye caught sight of something, lying on the ground in the approximate spot that she would have landed. It was a pile of clothing—Remelea's clothing.

What is all this? What does it mean? Is it all some sort of dream? Am I mad? The sun was rising when I got back to my hotel room. Despite all that I had seen, I was starting to get tired again. It all seemed so uncanny. Perhaps, I thought, it would all make sense to me once I got some sleep. As I expected, once I got into bed I went right to sleep. There were dreams again, normal ones, not like before. That was rather disappointing. In the sixth grade, our science teacher, Mrs. Rochfort, made us copy the Gettysburg Address when we did something wrong. I have nightmares to this day.

But I didn't have any of those dreams either. Truth be told, I don't remember any of the dreams I had that night. I was awake before I realized it. There were some birds chirping outside my window. *Shut up, I'm trying to sleep!* My hand groped around on the nightstand for nothing in particular. It clutched what turned out to be the remote. Still half asleep, not quite aware of what I was doing, I pointed it forward, and pushed the on button. I stared blankly at the screen. Some strange show was going off.

Now one of those special news updates was coming on. I did not plan to be paying much attention to it, until I saw that the background behind the woman reporter was the side of a Roanoke road. There was a car pulled over on the side of the road, with that yellow "crime scene" tape strung around it. It was a police car. I began to listen intently to the news report.

"This morning, police found on the side of the road, in their patrol car, the mutilated bodies of police officers, Tony Fleming, and Victor Kelly. While the police still have no suspects, autopsy revealed that the deceased appeared to have been ripped to death by a wolf. However bizarre this may sound, that is what we have been told so far. We'll keep you posted as more details unfold. This has been a Fox News Special Report."

I sat there, leaned forward, on the foot of my bed. I could not move. I sat there stunned, as if I had been stuck dead where I stood. I had not known the names of the two policemen, who had arrested Remelea. And as I sat there, I knew that they and the ones in that police car were the same, and that Remelea had either murdered them, or been somehow responsible for their deaths. *Oh, Remelea, what are you hiding from me?*

I got dressed, and went downstairs. Before checking out, I treated myself to continental breakfast, as I went over a plan in my mind. After I finished, I went up to my room to get my things, along with the towels in the bathroom (an old habit of mine that I really must try to break). After loading it all in the car, I went back to the lobby. But before checking out, I grabbed a map of Roanoke, and the surrounding area. The woods behind the hotel went back for two miles, until they ran up into Mill Mountain. I would have to hike into those woods.

Remelea was in there somewhere, and she was waiting for me. I could feel it with all my soul. I knew, that once I found her, there would have to be a confrontation, and I would have to learn whatever secrets she was hiding, even if it placed my very life in danger, for at this time, I would prefer to have died, rather than to go through life without knowing what this mysterious and beautiful creature held from me. A ways down the road, within walking distance of the hotel, there was a small shopping center.

After I left the hotel, I parked my car there, and walked back to the place, and slipping behind the lobby discreetly, entered the woods for the second time. I covered the ground that I had chased Remelea and the cat through the other night. I found the remains of the cat, left in the same spot where the wolf had been chewing on it. Flies had already begun to gather and swarm around it, and it was emitting the foul stench of decay, which the bright sun had no doubt aided. On the ground where they had been the other night, were Remelea's clothes. The tracks of the wolf could still be seen on the ground.

I saw that they led into a patch of tall weeds. For several yards, they were beaten down, as though some living thing had crawled through them, leaving a trail that suddenly stopped. There was no sign that whatever had made that trail had come back out, and I knew that whatever had made the trail was still in there. As I slowly came upon the end of the small path, my eyes fell with shock and amazement on the curled up, naked and quietly sleeping form of Remelea. I stood stark still staring down at her in amazement. I was mesmerized, not so much from lust as from utter shock.

I glanced back to make sure. There could be no error of it this time. There were no human tracks to be seen, only the tracks of the wolf. At last, everything was beginning to make sense to me, and it seemed utterly stupid on my part that I had not seen it earlier. The beautiful, charming girl with whom I had fallen in love, and the fierce, powerful wolf that had devoured the cat and murdered two cops, were one and the same. As she moved in her sleep, her face turned, and I realized that her mouth was smeared with blood. I gasped and staggered back, my hand clasped over my mouth.

As I ran back into the shadows of the trees, and as I fell to my knees, the continental breakfast I had eaten poured out of my mouth, onto the ground. I lay there gasping, spitting out the remnants of vomit. There was no reason to go. Remelea was still back there, and when she awoke, she would find me, no matter where I might go. For a long while, I simply sat there. I am not sure how long it was before I heard soft, slow footsteps approaching from behind me. A hand came down on my shoulder, and rested there. It was her.

Slowly, I turned my head. She was fully clothed now, which was good, because I could better focus on what she was saying, and not fall hopelessly under her spell, as I had done before.

She said solemnly, "Now, you know what problems I spoke of are. It's not that I can't go to college out of fear for the other people who go there. It's out of fear for myself. I ain't the cold blooded killer you think I am, Dennis. I've been bestowed with a gift. A gift that means freedom from all that which holds you, all law, all that holds sway over you, beyond your own cold hard moral beliefs. When people find out about it, and they can't accept it, you have to do what you have to do.

"And did you do what you had to with those two police men? Did they 'misunderstand' you? They were only doing their jobs, Remelea."

"Just tell me this one thing, Dennis. Before you pass your judgment on me, will you let me tell my story?"

I looked up at her, my eyes blank. How could I say no? How could I deny her this? How could I deny myself this? "Yes," I said, "You may tell your story. But before you do, I want you to know this. No matter what you have done, I will make no judgement on you. It is not my place."

With a mocking laugh, she said dryly, "No? Then who's place do you think it is to judge? God? After all I've seen, I could damn well believe."

that I'm already far beyond anyone's judgment."

This struck me as arrogant, but I said to her, for no real reason, "Go on."

"I was fifteen-years-old, back in '82 when I first met him, the man who gave me my powers, I mean." I was shocked. That meant she was 27. How odd. She didn't look a day over 19.

"He was 35, but he didn't look or act any different than someone about my age. I learned about him the same way you learned about me, through chance. We were already in love when I found out. He told me so much about human nature, and about myself. Things I never knew before, how people let the people and things around them control them, force them to submit to the laws, and the systems around them, and that within every human heart, there is the beast, the world, the animal side that is always trying to claw its way to freedom, to get loose.

"He said that once the beast gets free, then it means that you are free, because the beast follows no law but its own heart, its own instincts."

"And when the beast is free, you can even go so far as to assume the form of the beast," I said.

"Yes. The beast is strongest by the light of the full moon, but it is ever present, ever powerful. The beast can be released in a person, in shared passion with one whose beast has already been freed, or from surviving the attack from such a person. In some cases, in which the beast is particularly powerful, it can be freed by a person's own will."

"You're saying . . . that people can bring this upon themselves?"

"Oh no, my dear. People bring this from within themselves. You see, Dennis, the wolf brings not only freedom. It also brings eternal life and eternal youth. When *he* found me, the beast was not strong enough. He had to summon it from within me through his dark embrace. When my parents learned what I had become, they, like all other people before you, hated me for what I had become and the gift I had been bestowed with. They thought me evil, my own parents, they thought me evil." Her eyes were filling with tears, and despite all that I had seen her capable of, I began to pity her.

She held back her tears, with some struggle and continued. "And when they tried to destroy me, thinking it was what was 'best for me,' to 'release my soul,' I killed them both gladly. I did it slowly, so they could feel it, so they could know it was happening. Any human who crosses me dies that way, whether they know what I am or not. I take money from them to live off of. I have a small fortune, now. When they do know about me, they always hate me for it, not for the countless murders I have committed, which they usually know nothing of, but simply because I am something strange and alien to them, something that they don't understand, and could never be."

"And this is what you are," I said. "A cold and bloodthirsty death dealer, with no respect for human life?"

"Respect for human life? Respect for beings that hate what they fear, and fear because it represents a state of being that they cannot achieve, power that they can never have? What, I ask you, is there to respect about human life?"

"Power, you say? Oh you have power all right. If only you knew how to use it."

Her eyes flared with anger, and she suddenly lunged for me, but within an inch of my throat her clawed hand stopped dead in the air, and fell at her side. "I . . . cannot hurt you," she said calmly. "You are the first person I have ever met to learn my secret, and not hate me for it. You have what you came for. Go back to the world you know. I wish you well."

With those words, she turned and began to walk back into the woods. "Oh, Dennis? There's just one more thing. Do you want to be what I am? You know, have the power of the wolf? We could go to a phone close to a hospital. I could slit your stomach open and call the ambulance, or we could just get back to your hotel room and . . ."

"No."

"No? Oh Dennis, you are a good boy aren't you? How pathetic."

I would have been mad, but I could tell she was joking.

"Or do you just not want the cleaning lady to have to deal with doggy hairs in the bed? Don't worry. I'll stay in human form the whole time, I promise."

Oh great. Now she was being funny. Under other circumstances, I would have laughed. I forced a smile. "No."

"Oh well, if you're sure about it, I suppose it is your decision. Oh, and Dennis?"

"Yes?"

"Don't go blabbing this story to the cops. You know that they wouldn't believe you, and even if they did, you know I'd kill all of them, and I don't want to do that. I've found that policemen don't taste that good. Too greasy."

One week has now passed, and I have not seen any trace of her since that day. She walked away, back into the forest. I went home to my family. Life has gone on as usual here since that day. She had asked me to come into her world with her, but I did not totally escape her world. Remelea had power, power which allowed her to become part of the very balance of nature itself. She had let the wrong people in on her secret, and the human world had shunned her, gradually turning her into the person that she became. She knew she had powers, but she knew not how to use them. Had I accepted her gift, had I willingly been given eternal life by her, I would surely have found myself living it just as she had, because she would have been my only mentor. That shall never be now. It does not need to be. As I sit here, I look down at the bite that Remelea gave me on my arm. It is healing up nicely. Perhaps it will leave a scar. Oh, I certainly do hope so. It was Remelea's gift to me. She did not know it, but it was all that was required of her to pass the power along. In one week, I shall be leaving for college. Ah, college. It is a place in which I shall meet and interact with a wide and grand variety of marvelous and wonderful people. At night as they sleep, I shall be out there, in the forest, part of the forest, as much as any of the other animals that dwell there.

Dennis Lorny, Thursday, August 11

I Remember His Laugh

The final year of grandfather's life,
Was hard and filled with pain
Yet, looking back, I can't recall,
I heard him once complain

Instead, he showed such patience once
We knew the end was close
Despite our sadness and our grief,
We never felt morose

His zest for life he left behind
In all he did and spoke;
And even now, I feel him most
When I laugh at a joke

So when I think of grandfather today
I don't remember gloom;
But see a man with courage and
A laugh that filled a room.

Kathy Martin
Grade 10



Leah Raintree
Grade 9



Corina Miller
Grade 9

Confession

Young
Powerless
Afraid to speak

Symbols are all he has
A silent confession
To all

A moment in time
When she is free
Is what she seeks

Together, alone
hoping for one another
both ready to fall

Jeannette Kenny
Grade 12

Double Crossed

Alison Witt
Grade 12

Steve, a handsome 35 year-old, walked through the revolving door of the Sabco Shipping office building on Twenty-Fourth Street in New York. He knew that today would be a little different from a normal day at the office. He had been asked to help train the new executive who would be starting work today. His boss, Jenny Gordon, had asked him personally and Steve was more than happy to do as she asked. Jenny and Steve had been dating for several months and she had spent the night at his apartment several times. Yet there was something about Jenny that was mysterious. She didn't like to talk about her family and when he pressed her all she would say was that she left home at an early age and has had no contact with her family since.

Steve boarded the elevator and pressed the button for the fifty-second floor. The high speed elevator got him there in less than a minute. He got off the elevator and walked down the hall to his office. His office was spacious and had a view of the street below. He had barely sat down when Jenny walked in with a man who Steve judged to be in his early thirties. Jenny introduced him as Clint Wilson. Steve rose and greeted him. Steve immediately liked him. He just had an innocent look about him. After they talked for a few minutes Jenny left them to get to work.

The Sabco Company owned a fleet of ships which were used for shipping goods from companies in New York to Mexico. Steve worked in the department which held the records of the ships' inventory. Business was brisk at Sabco and Jenny felt it was necessary for him to have some extra help so she hired Clint.

Steve and Clint worked together for several weeks and when Steve felt he was ready, he let him work on his own. One night, after Clint had been working there for about three months, Steve was working late when he walked out of his office and discovered Clint going through a file cabinet in another executive's office.

Steve walked in behind him and asked, "Clint, what are you doing in here?"

Clint jumped and turned around, "Nothing, nothing, I was just looking for a file."

"What kind of file are you looking for in here? These files have nothing to do with inventory!" inquired Steve.

Clint knew he was backed into a corner so he took a deep breath and hoped Steve was as trustworthy as he believed he was. "Well, the truth is this isn't my job. I am working undercover for the FBI."

Steve was shocked, "What does the FBI expect to find here?"

"Well, we believe that there are drugs being brought into the U.S. from Mexico on Sabco ships," replied Clint.

"Why are you telling me this?" asked Steve.

"I need your help in gathering evidence. You have access to more of the records and perhaps you can avoid raising suspicions. That is, if you will help me."

"Who do you think is involved in these drug shipments?"

"We believe it is all originating at the top with Felix Douglass himself. We think that most of his top aides know what is going on and some of them are probably active in arranging for the shipments. I don't really think we are going to find anything in this office; the real evidence is in Douglass' office."

"Why would Felix Douglass who owns this multimillion dollar company risk his business by shipping drugs?" questioned Steve.

"What do you think made his company a success? This isn't a new thing from what we can tell from our investigation. So can you get me into Douglass' office or not?"

Steve thought for a moment and then said, "Okay, Clint I can do it, but I really don't think you will find anything."

"Thanks a lot Steve, and there is one more thing. I am going to give you the number of Agent Brown my superior at the Bureau, in case anything happens to me," replied Clint.

Steve hurried from the building, got in his car, and sped away because he was late for his dinner date with Jenny. When he met Jenny at the restaurant he told her that he would be staying late at the office helping Clint with some work. Jenny asked if it was anything important. This immediately made Jenny suspicious. After dinner Jenny said that she didn't feel well and wanted to go home.

Steve dropped her at her house, which was quite impressive. She was very well paid and could afford it. Steve sometimes wondered how someone so young could have progressed to such a significant job in such a short period of time. However, she was good at her job so he didn't feel that it was that odd.

As soon as she got in her house, Jenny, Jenny Douglass a.k.a. Jenny Gordon, picked up the phone and called her boss, Felix Douglass who was also her father. She told him that she thought Steve and Clint were up to something and that they were going to meet the next night. Felix was proud of his daughter because she had detected a person who could threaten the company, which was exactly what she had been placed in the company to accomplish.

The following night when Steve came back to the office to meet Clint he noticed that there was a light on in Clint's office down the hall. When he walked through the door he saw Clint slumped over on his desk. Upon closer inspection, Steve saw he had a bullet hole in his right temple. His body was cold. Steve knew he was dead so he turned and ran from the room. He entered his office where he found the card Clint had given him. He quickly dialed the number and a man answered.

"Are you Agent Brown?" Steve asked.

"Yes, and who are you?" Agent Brown replied.

"I am Steve Peterson and I work at Sabco Shipping with Clint Wilson. I just found him dead in his office. He's dead."

Agent Brown asked, "Did he tell you what he was doing there?"

"Yes," answered Steve.

"Okay, you need to get out of town for a few days. You need to leave immediately. Keep my number and if you need anything, just call. Good luck." With that, the line went dead.

All Steve could think of was to get Jenny. When he pulled up in front of her house he ran to the door. When she answered he briefly explained the situation the best he could. She said that she needed to pack a few things before they left. He told her to be quick and then walked onto the porch to watch for anything suspicious. After about five minutes he went back in the house just as she was coming out of her bedroom. He saw her reach into the pocket of her leather bomber jacket and pull out a gun. He didn't have time to say a word before she put two bullets in his chest.

Jenny then calmly walked out to the car and drove to the airport. She got on the company jet with her father and headed for Rio to wait for the scandal to die down.

A Child's Love

Oh, Teddy what happened,
I lost you one night—
I woke up in a fright.

Over and over I looked.
But still I hang around,
Looking up and down.

Teddy I'm older now,
I'm climbing the hills of life some how.
But still I look back at you.

Timothy Heck
Grade 9

Rainy Day Shirt

The old holey shirt
Here with sweet familiar smells.
Worn thin by my love

Leah Raintree
Grade 9

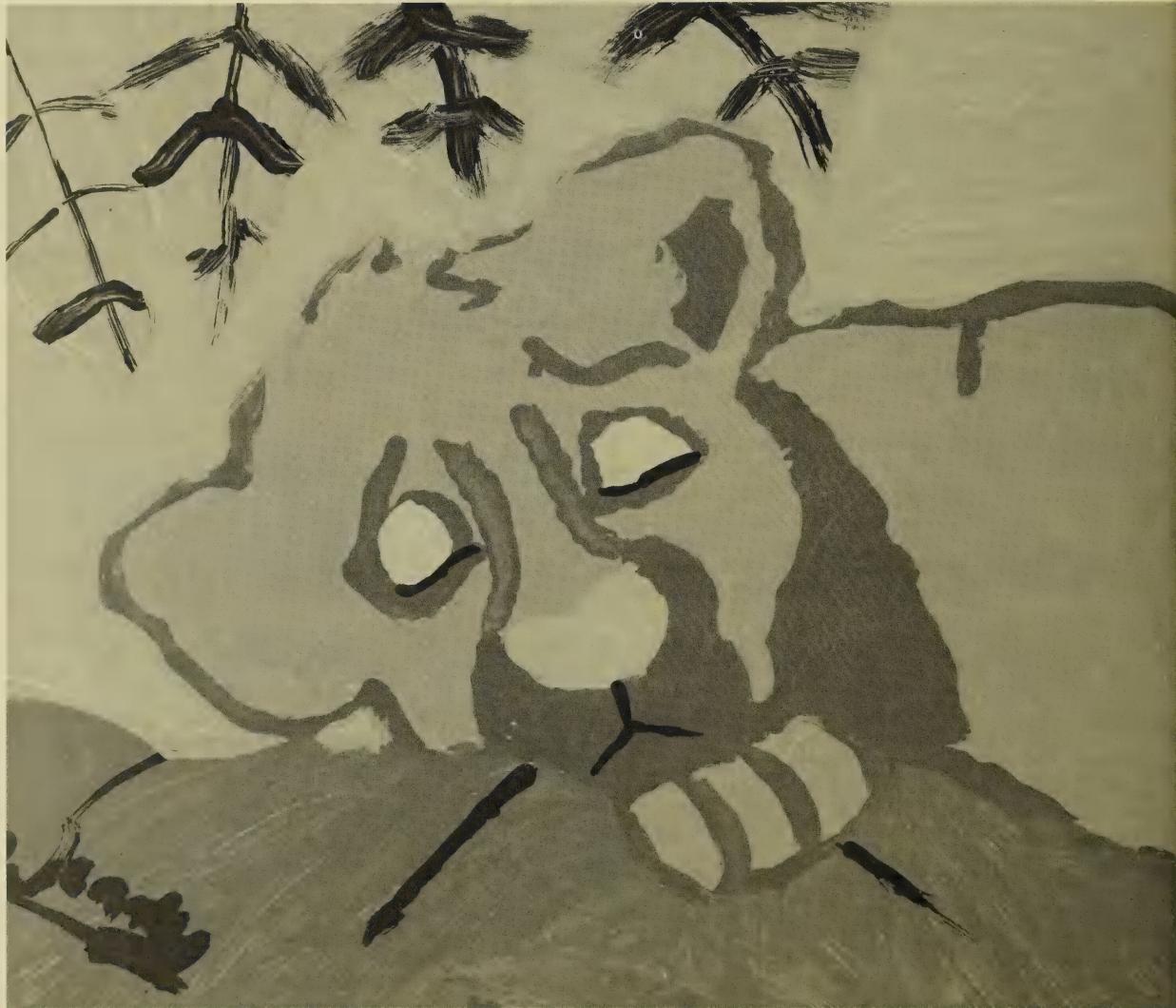
The Pansy

The Iris, tall and haughty,
In the storm will always dim.
The clouds will leave, the sun will shine,
But she'll never rise again.

If the rose is caught in a torrent,
She holds her face to the sky.
When the sun comes again, she looks the same:
Except for the tear in her eye.

When the rain falls hard on the pansy,
She lets her head fall down.
Gently it lifts when the sun comes out,
And never does she frown.

Jennifer St.Clair
Grade 12



A New Beginning

Andrea Robertson
Grade 11

The frigid midnight air, of early January, stung the face of ten year old Charles, as he leaped from a second story window of The Greenbrier House for Orphans. The year was 1889, and the scrawny orphan was running away from the "home" he had known since he was six years old. His mother had abandoned him and his two little sisters, Abbie and Christina, after their father died of influenza.

Their family was financially secure while the father was working, but when he got sick and couldn't work, the family suffered. Their mom had to stay home to take care of her husband and three children. Both girls were too young to work—Abbie was two and Christina was four years old—but Charles was six years old, old enough to work in a sweatshop. Instead of him being the family's financial spine, Charles stayed home and helped his mom take care of the house.

A month after getting sick, the father died. The family was in debt, starving, and on the verge of losing the small tenement apartment they had lived in Chicago. Charles scarcely remembered the night his mother sent him away. He did recall being shaken awake late at night, getting warmly dressed, and taking a long train ride. He also remembered waking up on the cold floor of a dim, half empty, storage car that was sitting still on the railroad track. He remembered a rough-looking man passing the cracked door of the car, looking in, and demanding for the small children to get out. Realizing the immaturity of the group, the man gathered the kids and took them to the orphanage—The Greenbrier House for Orphans.

Living in the orphanage was horrible. The children were mistreated constantly. They were only allowed to take one bath, every other day. Charles didn't mind that—but the smell was wrenching during the summer. The "bathe every other day" rule was made to save water in the orphanage. Every child ate the same three meals every single day. They ate a single bowl of oatmeal for breakfast, and some kind of meat with gravy, mashed potatoes, and peas for lunch and dinner. If a child refused to eat, that kid would just go hungry.

The orphanage directors really didn't care about the kids. They cared about the public funding from the rich people supporting the orphanage. After some time, Charles began to dream about running away, going back to Chicago, inventing some sort of useful household item, and becoming rich. He didn't think about how hard that would be. Neither of the three children had any formal education. Charles knew how to spell easy words, like "cat" and "dog", and he remembered how to sound out those words he couldn't read. His father had been quite intelligent, and had plans to teach his children all he knew.

Charles couldn't worry about the education, all he cared about was his freedom. He didn't care if he had to live in an alley with other homeless people. He did not care if he had to steal everything he needed to eat.

So he did it. He hopped on a storage car, that was practically filled with wood and was slowly moving towards Chicago. Charles had over heard the guys delivering wood to the orphanage, discussing their route with an orphanage director. He decided immediately, to take mental notes, so that he could catch the right train and get far away from Greenbrier House.

The train began moving quickly as daybreak emerged. Close to noon, it screeched to a halt. Charles jumped off of the car and ran towards the beautiful city scene. He stood motionless and stared at the new world he was about to enter. Walking towards the city, the boy dreamed his dream again. He dreamed it was him who had invented the vacuum cleaner and made a fortune. He didn't realize how unrealistic his dream was until it took him two days to find a job.

Two days without a job meant two days without money, food, or shelter. The first nights were spent on a street corner, with other homeless people, huddled around a bonfire. Charles eventually found a job selling apples for a street vendor. The man that hired him was somewhat friendly. He allowed Charles to take an apple each day, out of concern for his sickly appearance.

Months later, Charles had saved enough money to enter a boarding house. The rooms were comfortable and the food was more than satisfying. The boy then decided to go back to Greenbrier House to bring his sisters to Chicago with him. The train ride was long and filled with anticipation.

The sight of Greenbrier House flooded Charles' body with feeling of frustration. He was then determined to reunite his family. He wanted to show his sisters the type of freedom he experienced—aside from being poor. Late that night, Charles threw pebbles at the window of the room that Christina stayed in. A chubby, red-haired girl, named Lisa, peeked out. She yelled out his name and was quickly hushed. Charles told her to get Christina to the window so he could talk to her.

Christina arrived at the window with tears in her eyes, after receiving the information that her brother had come back. They discussed a plan to get the girls out of the Greenbrier House for Orphans—forever. Both girls jumped, from Christina's room window, into a big bush underneath. They brought some clothes, and twenty dollars, stolen from a director. The kids waited a few hours to catch the next train to Chicago. The ride seemed short because of the continuous conversation.

The girls spent their money on rooms at the boarding house. Charles went to work each day, while the girls searched for jobs for themselves. Abbie, the youngest child, began to get sick. The kids spent the remainder of the twenty dollars, to send her to a doctor. The doctor told them that Abbie had tuberculosis. There wasn't a cure for tuberculosis, so Abbie would die.

The day Abbie died was disturbing for everyone in the boarding house. She died at night, in her sleep, and a director at the boarding house found her. The people from the morgue carried her body away in a thick, black canvas bag.

Charles and Christina were upset with their sister's death, but they decided they had to get on with their lives. They both had goals of seeking an education. Although education was free, without their jobs, they would end up homeless. Christina quit her job, that was at a sweatshop, to sell newspapers. The newspaper job paid more than the sweatshop and had better benefits. One benefit of selling newspapers was that she got to keep the extras, take them home and try to read them. With the few reading skills they had, the kids were able to make out some words, and learn plenty of new ones.

One day, after work, both kids sat on the steps in front of the boarding house, and flipped through their free newspapers, underneath the bright street light. On the backside of one of the middle sections, Charles pointed out a small article. It was titled, "Free Housing, Free food," and "Free" other things, that neither child could understand. There was an address given, and Charles knew where it was, so the kids decided to go there. The free housing and free food was at a place called Hull House.

Hull House provided both kids, and many other poor and homeless people, with free food, shelter, clothing, immunization shots, and an education. This "new beginning" for Charles and Christina allowed them to achieve success in their lifetimes. Charles used the business skills he learned from working at the apple vendor, to start his own medical supply store. Christina became a doctor. She earned enough money, working in a clinic and using grants, to graduate from medical school. She went on to help discover a vaccine for tuberculosis. Even with their successes, Charles and Christina couldn't help but wonder what would have become of Abbie.

If I Could Write a Poem

If I could write a poem, for the world to sing,
it would be about peace, and letting freedom ring.
No more suffering and dying, without a pause.
No more victims of war, without a cause.

If I could write a poem, for the world to hear,
it would be about conserving, and keeping nature near.
No more slashing and burning and killing our trees.
No more bringing mother earth, to her knees.

If I could write a poem, for the world to do,
it would be about loving whom ever you choose.
No more judging by appearance, sex or race.
Let everyone be equal, look beyond their face.

And if the world would do what my poem asked,
we could lay a foundation, and erase the past.

Melissa Harrison
Grade 9

Dreaming

Peace, happiness,
Darkness, fear.
Love, gratefulness,
Oh don't you hear,
The birds on the hill,
The cricket by the stream,
Oh what a sweet dream.
It is in my heart,
my mind, my life.
Oh to be apart,
To live in no strife.
Will this ever leave,
I don't care.
It's nice to believe,
I can always go there.

Mandie

I Can Count On You

I know that I can count on you
Whatever life may bring
No matter if the cold winds blow
Or if warm breezes sing

When everything is going well
When I am filled with care
If I succeed or if I fail
I know you will be there

And if my face glows with health
Or if I'm touched with pain
Or if the sun shines bright above
Or skies are dark with rain

You'll always be there, come what may
Your love will see me through
And whether life brings joy or pain,
My heart can count on you.

Kathy Martin
Grade 10



Danny Crouch
Grade 12

Graduation

The time is drawing very near
The ending of this journey is finally here
I've sailed the waves for 13 years
Hoping to one day release my fears

When my journey first started many years ago
It was oh so important for me to know
The better I did along the way
The happier the moment of my big day

Since then I've longed to reach the end
Finally it's here; I don't know where to begin
I heard him say you'll all go far
Keep your head up high and reach for the stars

At that moment I dropped to my knees
Thanking the Lord for his tender mercies
Then I rose to my name being called
Realizing it was over once and for all.

William Preston
Grade 11



Bryan Overstreet
Grade 12

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